

**IMPORTANT SEMESTER DATES**

Fall Semester Begins	Tues Sept 1
Saturday Classes Begins	Sat Sept 12
Labor Day– University Closed	Mon Sept 7
Change in Class Days (Tuesday follows Monday's schedule)	Tues, Sept 8 (follow Monday class schedule)
Thanksgiving Recess	Wed Nov 25– Sun Nov 29
Regular Classes End	Fri. Dec 11
Reading Days	Mon. Dec 14 & Tue Dec 15
Fall Exams Begin	Wed Dec 16
Fall Exams End	Wed Dec 23
Winter Recess Begins	Thurs Dec 24
Winter Recess Ends	Mon Jan 18, 2010
Spring Semester Begins	Tue Jan 19
Regular Sat Classes begin	Sat Jan 23

**LAST DAY to Drop is 09/09/09.**  
(without a "W" grade)

**LAST DAY to ADD is 09/10/09.**  
Complete Withdrawal Tuition Refunds Only Dates (**Not to be confused with a course drop**):

**LAST DAY to Withdraw from a course with a "W" Grade: Monday, October 27th.**

For refunds policies, see details on the following website:

<http://nbregistrar.rutgers.edu/undergrad/f09ugcal.htm>

Speak to an adviser before withdrawing. Financial Aid packages may be affected.

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Are you an adult/nontraditional student with a story to help inspire other adult/nontraditional students at Rutgers-NB? Email your full name, RUID, story & picture to: [ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)



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University College Community

*A unit dedicated to serving adult & nontraditional students*

“Learning is not achieved by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.”  
– [Abigail Adams](#)

**Dean’s Fall 2009 Welcome**

Hello, my name is [Susan J. Schurman](#). I am the Dean of the University College Community and hold concurrent roles as faculty in the School of Management and Labor Relations, Director of Life-Long Learning, and Veteran Services Coordinator for the New Brunswick Campus. I’d like to take this opportunity to offer a heartfelt Rutgers welcome to our new adult and nontraditional students and welcome back our continuing on-campus and off-campus students.



UCC is aware that adults and nontraditional students must meet various responsibilities at home and at work while making extra efforts to reach their academic goals. We also know the value of successfully completing a college degree, not just in financial terms--though the financial return-on-investment is substantial--but also in terms of personal development.

It is our mission and our ongoing goal to keep adult and nontraditional students informed of important events, resources, services, dates, and major/minor programs that are available to students during the evening and weekends. We advocate for you inside the larger Rutgers University community by recommending policies and programs to meet your expressed needs.

This semester, we are continuing with the Veteran outreach initiatives and have successfully facilitated the launch of the new [veterans.rutgers.edu](http://veterans.rutgers.edu) website. Our goal is to create a sense of community for all nontraditional students, especially those students who do not live on campus and whose lives are also dedicated to responsibilities outside of academia.

Sincerely,



**Adult/Nontraditional Student Orientation**

Saturday, August 22, 2009 10:00am.-3:00pm.

There is still time to RSVP at:

<http://ucc.rutgers.edu/professional-schools/academic-planning-advising>

Network with other Adult/Nontraditional Students, meet area Veteran Affairs Reps, and learn about:

- The University College Community’s services.
- Academic Opportunities and Balancing Personal Life
- Special Programs & Resources for Adult/Nontraditional Students
- Financial Aid & Scholarships for Nontraditional Students
- Veteran Student Resources

**Allison Road Classroom Bldg**  
**618 Allison Rd, Piscataway, NJ 08854, Busch Campus**

**Adult & Nontraditional Online Transition Course**

This year as part of our continuing advocacy endeavors for adult and nontraditional students, University College Community has created an online “NTS Transition Course” on Sakai for part-time and non-matriculated students. Since this is a service, you are not required to pay any fees.

We highly recommend that you go to the [Sakai site](#), ensure the tab is available to you, and complete the assignments in the order that they are given. You are free, however, to click on any site you desire. You can opt to complete assignments or not. There are no grades. The site has been created to help you find the resources you need. The degree of your involvement is completely up to you.

UCC created the course for nontraditional students so that they have direction to the abundance of resources available to them. We also wanted to help students reduce the amount of time they might spend looking for a particular resource.

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**ACADEMIC PLANNING****Rutgers Learning Centers**

Rutgers Learning Centers work with students through a variety of free academic support programs to promote student achievement. Meet your academic challenge. Contact a Learning Center to get started.

Busch Campus: [ARC Bldg, Rm 322](#)  
CAC: [Kreeger Learning Center](#)  
C/D Campus: [Loree Bldg, Rm 124](#)  
Livingston Campus: [Tillett Hall, Rm 111](#)

**STUDY TIPS FOR ADULTS**

[Developing study skills](#) is a concern for working adults returning for a new semester. Experts say that people learn more by reflecting on what they are learning rather than by simply memorizing it. Try keeping an ongoing "reading journal" to record thoughts on the material and note questions it raises. When you go back to review your notes, you'll find new connections to current material and possibly new ways of looking at your subject. [Click for source.](#)

**VETERAN RESOURCES**

Two new [mentorship](#) opportunities are available this Fall for veteran students: Rutgers Volunteer Veteran Mentor Program and Champion Mentor Program. New and continuing students are encouraged to complete their [mentee questionnaire](#) to ensure suitable matching of a mentor.

Veterans who are juniors and seniors are encouraged to consider the [Veteran Employment Initiative](#). This is a Veterans Across America and Rutgers' UCC pilot program that matches graduating students with career professionals for a rigorous six-month program. The program is open to any veteran having served in the US military after 1994.

Spread the word.

[Veterans House](#)  
14 Lafayette Street  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
**Contact Email:** [veterans@rutgers.edu](mailto:veterans@rutgers.edu)  
**Phone:** 848-932-VETS (8387)  
**Hours/Schedule:**  
Office Hours:  
Monday - Friday  
8:30am - 5:00pm  
**Fax:** 732-932-1535

**NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT RESOURCES****UCC ADVISING AND SUPPORT**

For advising and assistance with issues that may affect your academic career at Rutgers-NB, we invite you to contact us:

**Phone:** 732-932-6965 x2150

**Email:** [ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)

**Website:** [ucc.rutgers.edu](http://ucc.rutgers.edu)

**SAS ACADEMIC ADVISING**

The SAS Offices of Academic Services provide academic advising by faculty members and deans. Students are encouraged to meet with an advisor at least once a semester to review graduation progress and discuss academic interests. Please note that while students may visit any campus, **Deans for nontraditional students are now located on the Douglass Campus.**

**Douglass Campus**

College Hall  
Room 104  
848-445-8888  
M-F 8:30am-5:00pm

**College Avenue Campus**

Milledoler Hall: 102  
848-445-8888  
M-F 8:30am-5:00pm

**Busch Campus Center**

Room 172  
848-445-8888  
M-F 8:30am-5:00pm

**Livingston Campus**

Lucy Stone Hall A-216  
848-445-8888  
M-F 8:30am-5:00pm

**UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ADVISING****Don't Assume . . . Get Advice**

Can't make day advising appointments because of work or kids? Contact your academic dean in your school of enrollment and request a phone discussion or special appointment. For information about advising, contact each school:

**SAS:** <http://sasundergrad.rutgers.edu/academics/advising/general.html>

**SEBS:** <http://sebs.rutgers.edu/academics/firstyearadvisers.asp>

**MG:** <http://www.masongross.rutgers.edu/content/undergraduate-academic-advisors>

**ENGR:** <http://soe.rutgers.edu/oa/officahrs>

**PHARM:** [https://pharm.rutgers.edu/content/student\\_advising](https://pharm.rutgers.edu/content/student_advising)

**SMLR:** <http://smlr.rutgers.edu/labor-and-employment-relations/student-services>

**OTHER RESOURCES****RU EXPRESS/CARD SERVICES**

[RUConnection Card](#) is the official photo identification card. This photo ID card serves as the primary form of identity verification throughout the university for your convenience and most importantly for your protection.

**Location:** 102 Records Hall,  
College Avenue Campus

**Hours:** 8:00am-8:00pm (M-F)

If you cannot get your card during these hours, call **848-932-8041**

**PARKING & TRANSPORTATION**

The [Department of Transportation Services](#) provides all members of Rutgers, NB, with the best solution for getting around campus safely and easily. Students can obtain their parking permits and pay violation tickets in person or online:

<http://parktran.rutgers.edu/>

**Location:** 55 Commercial Ave  
**Hours:** 8:30am-5:00pm (M-F)

**RUTGERS HEALTH SERVICES**

[Rutgers Health Services](#) provides educational and prevention services to help maintain the health of students, staff, and faculty who may get injured, become ill, or feel stressed during their stay at Rutgers.

**Hurtado Health Center, CAC**

**Location:** 11 Bishop Place

**Days:** Monday-Friday

**Regular Hrs:** 8:30-5:00pm

**Emergency Hrs:** 5:00-8:00pm

**Phone:** 848-932-7402

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE COUNCIL**

Get involved with the University College Council and be part of a community of passionate individuals advocating for change for adult/ nontraditional students. Help ease the difficulties that adult-commuter students face every day, from parking to finding more course formats and class offerings during the evening and weekends.

To join or to get more  
Information, email:  
[ucc@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:ucc@rci.rutgers.edu)

**UCC NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT OF THE MONTH****Amml Hussein**

Amml Hussein is the newly elected President of the University College Council for the 2009-2010 academic year. The UC Council, which meets twice a month fall and spring semesters, is a student organization that serves undergraduate nontraditional students in New Brunswick. Amml grew up in North Plainfield, New Jersey, and attended North Plainfield High School where she was an honor student. She was member of the Varsity Cross Country and Track and Field teams, the National Honor Society, and the National Spanish Honor Society, to name a few. Throughout her attendance at North Plainfield School, she remained extremely active, spending her time in the Academic League, Science League, Marching Band, Concert and Jazz Band, and Concert Choir.



After graduating from high school, Amml married and gave birth to a son. She then enrolled at Reignbow Beauty Academy, graduated as a licensed Cosmetologist, and worked at a few hair salons until she decided that she wanted to obtain more education. While applying to college, Amml divorced, and this changed her life. Amml was challenged by her desire to pursue a higher education and the demands of being a single mother. She realized that she needed to achieve some balance between her role as a mother and a student, and with the support of her parents, she was able to overcome many obstacles.

Amml decided to attend University College, New Brunswick, where she is pursuing a double major in Journalism and Media Studies and Social Work, with a minor in Psychology. After college, she plans on attending law school. Her love of justice and the law have greatly influenced Amml to choose activities and experiences that expose her to human rights and aspects of the law. They also provide her with a variety of rewarding networking opportunities. She has a passion to help others like herself who have been through trying circumstances. She is currently working on an effort to create a scholarship fund in memory of a former social work student in Camden who was a victim of domestic violence and passed away two months before her graduation.

Amml is a nontraditional student who prides herself on tackling issues at the University that affect other nontraditional students. From first-hand experiences, she is aware of their struggles, particularly in balancing their schedules at home, work, and school. She has worked in the past as the Senator of the University College Council on writing resolutions for parking privileges for students who have children. In addition, Amml was the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, when she wrote resolutions to diversify the schedule of classes for winter and summer sessions. This year she will work to improve the Rutgers experience of fellow nontraditional students. She also wants to offer more support services to veterans whose dedication to the United States should be honored and recognized.

As President of the University College Council, Amml pledges to expand services to address the concerns of all nontraditional students. She is passionate about giving students an opportunity to succeed, and she is committed to developing projects that will assist nontraditional students in their academic studies. She strongly believes that individuals can achieve any goal that their heart desires if they are dedicated and willing to put in the effort.

**UCC CONGRATULATES EDIS-MINANSI SHANATA  
Recipient of the School of Arts and Sciences Excellence Award**

Edis Shanata, a nontraditional UC student, is the recipient of a \$5,000 School of Arts & Sciences Excellence Award. Edis is a returning adult student who graduated from Bergen Community College in Paramus NJ with a 4.0 GPA. She is involved in numerous Honor Societies: Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Mu Gamma, Phi Beta Kappa, Delta Epsilon Iota and Chi Alpha Epsilon. She is majoring in Spanish and Middle East Studies, with a minor in French and AMESALL (African, Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages and Literature). During her free time, Edis mentioned she enjoys reading and writing poetry.

Edis has a 20-year old son who is currently enlisted in the US Army and has been deployed to Iraq where he served two years.

UCC congratulates Edis on her accomplishment and wishes her much continued success on her educational journey at Rutgers.

