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1. **DID YOU KNOW THAT** classes begin on Tuesday, January 17? The following are a number of on-line tools that can be extremely useful to you throughout the upcoming semester:
 - [Honors College Website](#): Information on HC requirements, class offerings, news and a calendar
 - [Schedule of Classes](#): Essential during add/drop (1/17 – 1/23) to check course info
 - [MyRutgers](#): Centralize your RU life AND find out your new RUID# on Feb.13
 - [Student Affairs](#): Info on Gen-Ed and grad requirements, overloads, transfer credits, and related items
 - [Registrar](#): Request official transcripts for scholarship and grad school applications

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2. **SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR SUCCESS IN TODAY'S ECONOMY!**

Senior minority students in liberal arts, science and engineering are invited to apply for a three week program that covers the fundamentals of accounting, finance, management communication, computing and statistical skills, marketing, economics, project management and organizational behavior (in today's global economy, these are essential and profitable skills for any major). At the conclusion of the program you may be offered a 6-8 week paid internships with companies that include Merrill Lynch, Wachovia, Fidelity Trust, and others. The 3-week program includes tuition, fees, and room and board. The application is not difficult to complete but it is due on January 20th so your prompt response is essential. If you are interested, would like to learn more, or are wondering if you fall into their broadly defined "minority" classifications then please contact [Seth Mann](#) ASAP.

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3. **IMPORTANT! FAFSA DEADLINE APPROACHING**

The FAFSA forms for the 2006-2007 academic year now are available on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Students who currently are receiving a scholarship from the Honors College that has a need-based component (which is most of them) or who even wish to be considered for one for the next academic year should complete and submit the FAFSA form as soon as possible. The Provost, RU National, and OSRP scholarships do not require a completed FAFSA form to be on file in order to be renewed, so if you only are receiving one of these scholarships and have absolutely no interest in being considered for any other scholarships, there is no need to complete and submit a FAFSA. All other students are strongly encouraged to file this application and to follow up with the Financial Aid office on any requests for additional supporting documentation. While completing and filing the form will not guarantee you any additional funding for the coming academic year, it will make it possible for you to receive full consideration for any additional funding that may become available. March 15, 2005 is the priority deadline set by the Rutgers Financial Aid Office for filing the application.

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4. RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP IN TERRORISM AND GENOCIDE

A professor in the Sociology and Anthropology Department seeks a Research Assistant to assist with research projects on terrorism and genocide. A familiarity with computers and research with the library databases a plus, but not required. Opportunities such as this provide an excellent experience that is typically only available to graduate students. If you are interested in the above position please contact [Dr. Gunkel](#) at as soon as possible.

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5. NYC THEATRE ARTS INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

Abingdon Theatre Company, a cutting-edge company in NYC that develops new plays, is looking for interns in two areas including **Production and Facilities, and Arts Administration and Development**. Interns can expect to gain exposure to facility management, casting, marketing, development and literary operations. If you are interested or would like further information then please contact [Seth Mann](#).

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6. GET NOMINATED FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING SCHOLARSHIP

The NJ Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Commission is proud to announce 2005-2006 King Scholarship Program. Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 are awarded annually to college students who have demonstrated an active interest and meaningful involvement in the areas of human rights, social justice, labor, and world peace; and who intend to pursue academic an/or career paths that would enable them to advance these causes as future leaders. Students must be enrolled full-time and be a permanent resident of NJ. If you are interested in being nominated for this opportunity please contact [Seth Mann](#).

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7. PROVISION FOR DROPPING FIRST TERM'S GRADES

Students that completed their 56th degree credit during the fall 2005 academic term may be able to take advantage of a special provision that allows undergraduates at Rutgers-Newark to omit all grades earned in their first term at the university from the calculation of their cumulative grade point averages. Courses and the grades for the courses would remain on your transcript but would no longer be included in the determination of your cumulative GPA. If you are interested in finding out if you are eligible then please see page 187 of the current 2003-2005 catalog or page 189 of the 2001-2003 catalog for the full statement of the policy and the criterion for eligibility. Please contact the Registrar's Office ASAP for more information about taking advantage of this provision. Note: If you are eligible to take advantage of this provision, you must – absolutely must – do so by Tuesday, January 31, 2006. This is your only chance to do this, there are no extensions granted ever. Once this option is exercised then all arrangements are final and irrevocable.

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The Newsletter is published every week to provide timely information about events and opportunities of particular interest or benefit to Rutgers-Newark Honors College Students. Be sure to read carefully each week for important announcements and opportunities such as scholarships, internships, and research positions. Furthermore, we recommend that you create a folder on your hard drive or on your e-mail account to save all the newsletters for future reference. For additional information on what appears above please follow links listed with individual items or contact the parties listed to learn more about a particular opportunity. Please do not reply directly to this e-mail.
