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1. HONORS COLLEGE ONLY RETAINS SPNS FOR HONORS COLLEGE COURSES

Please note that the Honors College only has the ability to distribute special permission numbers (SPNs) for Honors courses only (i.e., HC seminars, HC capstone, HC history and lit, etc...). In other words, we don't have any SPNs for courses in biology, chemistry, criminal justice or any other course that is not listed on our website (<http://honorsnewark.rutgers.edu/currentclasses.html>). To obtain special permission for a course outside of the HC offerings you must visit the course's affiliated department office.

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2. SIGN UP TODAY FOR OUR EARTH DAY CELEBRATION AND VOLUNTEER EVENT

The Honors College and the Greater Newark Conservancy is proud to announce "Celebrate Earth Day: A Day of Service to our City of Newark from the People of Rutgers". We want you to join the concerted effort of RU-N students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends for a day of community service, fun and ice cream provided by Ben & Jerry's! As of this morning only 17 of the more than 400 HC students have signed up for this event - Needless to say we'd like to see many more of you take part. Please be sure to check out all the exciting details and sign up at www.newark.rutgers.edu/earthday. Hurry and join the growing number of students, faculty and staff that have dedicated their time to this important day of service. If you have any further questions about the event please contact [Seth Mann](#). Hope to see you there.

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3. JOIN RUTGERS FOR REFLECTIONS ON THE IMMIGRATION DEBATE

Organizers at Rutgers-Newark plan an April 11-April 12 program, "Breaking The American Promise: Reflections On The Immigration Debate," to discuss proposed new immigration legislation now being debated by the U.S. Congress. Legal analysts say HR 4437, "Border Protection Anti-terrorism and Illegal immigration Act", or the "Sensenbrenner" Act, would criminalize undocumented immigrants' and their allies. The following two events provide a forum in which New Jersey's large immigrant and Latino(a) communities can learn about the legislation and participate in this vital national debate. One of the goals of the event is to help start a broader educational campaign about this legislation and to encourage students to get involved in working with local immigrant communities. A description of both day's activities follow below:

April 11th Forum: Rutgers will hold a *Community Forum and Debate* which will take place on Tuesday, April 11, from 4:00pm – 6:00pm at the Center for Law and Justice, 123 Washington St., Newark. Panelists discussing the immigration proposal will be: Nyantekyi; New Mexican novelist Demetria Martinez; Amy Gottlieb, Legal Director of the Immigrant Rights Program of the American Friends Service Committee; and Esther Chavez, a community organizer who works to support the human and civil rights of day laborers in New Jersey.

April 12th Reading: Rutgers will hold a Reading and Discussion which will take place on Wednesday, April 12, from 2:30pm – 4:00pm in the Dana Room, 4th floor, Dana Library, 185 University Ave, Newark, Demetria Martinez will read from her recent work, *Confessions of a Berlitz-Tape Chicana* (2005) and award-winning poet Rachel Hadas, Board of Governors Professor of English at Rutgers-Newark, will respond. Asela R. Laguna, chair of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and leading scholar in Hispanic literatures, will host the discussion. For more a press release detailing both day's activities please visit click [HERE](#).

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4. JOIN US AT THE HONORS COLLEGE SPEAKER SERIES

The Honors College at Rutgers-Newark is glad to announce the seventh of a series of lectures offered this year on the topics of genocide, human rights, and transitional justice. The talk will occur at on Tuesday, April 11th at 10:00am in the Dana Room of the Dana Library. Professor Leslie Dwyer of Haverford College will be speaking on the topic, "Speaking, Truth and Power: Anthropology in the Aftermath of Mass Violence in Indonesia". Prof. Dwyer, is an anthropologist who has done extensive research on the cultural and political implications of the state-sponsored anti-communist violence of 1965-66, which took the lives of approximately one million Indonesians. Her talk will specifically focus on the political, ethical and analytic challenges of anthropology in the aftermath of violence. In particular, she will focus on how Balinese have navigated social landscapes in the wake of the 1965-66 state-sponsored massacres of some one million alleged communists through the exploration of issues such as speech and silence, truth-telling and reconciliation, and the power dynamics in which activism, analysis and local agency are embedded. All students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of Rutgers-Newark are invited and encouraged to attend, so please spread the word to those that you think might wish to hear these talks.

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5. CALL FOR OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEERS

The Honors College requests your assistance during the campus Open House on the morning of Saturday, April 22nd. This is a great opportunity for the Honors College to let prospective students and their families know about the benefits of our program, our campus and out city. You, as a current student, is perhaps better qualified than anyone to talk to people about our program and your experience here. Please let us know if you are interested in helping out on the morning of April 22nd by emailing Seth Mann at smann@rutgers.edu. Volunteers will be doing a great service for the Honors College and will also walk away with a t-shirt and some lunch. For more info on the day's events please click [HERE](#) for the official press release.

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6. RED CROSS 2ND ANNUAL LUAU: SPEND A SATURDAY NIGHT SAVING A CHILD'S LIFE

Everyone is invited to come to the 2nd Annual Rutgers Red Cross Luau on Saturday, April 22nd from 7:00pm – 11:00pm in Robeson Campus Center's Multi-Purpose room. The Luau is not only fun (and the answer to all those requests out there that the university hold more social events on campus) but it also helps support the Red Cross Measles Initiative. Every \$1.00 raised allows 1 child to get vaccinated from getting Measles in Africa, the leading cause of death for children on that continent. Your \$5.00 entry fee can save 5 children! Come out and support! Hawaiian Attire a MUST! For more information, please contact Rutgers Red Cross President, Jen Perozzi at (973)747-6970 or by e-mail at jenperozzi@hotmail.com.

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7. PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP

A Professor in the psychology department has a position open for an undergraduate research assistant. The lab's research primarily deals with the nature and management of social and interpersonal conflict, with a particular focus on the use of third party mediation as a method for resolving highly

polarized conflicts. In order to study this topic the researcher uses videotaped sessions of mediators who are then asked to review their performance by “thinking aloud” about the process. This stimulated recall procedure has proven effective in getting at the mental models of experts in various fields. Students in the conflict lab will be focusing in helping make sense of the videotape and interview data gathered from professional mediators in the “think aloud” project described above. If you are interested in this excellent opportunity then please contact [Dr. John Gunkel](#).

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8. OPENING RECEPTION FOR THE GRAPHIC DESIGN SENIOR THESIS EXHIBITION

Join us for a reception on April 13th, 2006 from 4:00pm – 7:00pm in the Paul Robeson Gallery to recognize Rutgers-Newark’s graduating graphic design majors as they kick off their Graphic Design Senior Thesis Exhibition. Admission is free and you’ll get to see the cutting-edge and exciting work that your peers are creating. For more information contact Lisa Hasselbrook at lhassel@newark.rutgers.edu or visit the new Gallery website at www.andromeda.rutgers.edu/artgallery.

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9. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: AIDS QUILT COMING TO CAMPUS ON APRIL 17

Rutgers is looking for volunteers to help welcome the huge nationally touring AIDS quilt to our campus. The quilt will be here from April 17th to April 19th when our campus will get to add its own student created panel. The campus needs as many volunteers as possible to help out and take part in this phenomenal experience. Donations will benefit the efforts made at the Academy Street Firehouse which runs an after school program serving kids who are either infected or affected by HIV/AIDS in Newark and surrounding communities. Volunteers would be asked help set up, take down, and look after the quilt while it’s here on campus. Any amount of time you can offer would be great even if it is just for one hour. To read more about the project visit <http://www.aidsquilt.org/>. And if you are interested in volunteering your time then please contact the HC Alumni Eldon Lewis at aidsquilt@andromeda.rutgers.edu.

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