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**1. GOOD LUCK ON FINALS AND NEW NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE**

We'd like to take a moment to wish all our students the best of luck on all your exams and a wonderful summer vacation. Remember, the Honors College is open all summer so don't hesitate to call us or stop by with your questions. Also please be aware that starting next week the HC Newsletter will be sent out on a bi-weekly basis. We will resume normal weekly delivery in mid-July. Good luck!

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**2. ACT NOW TO REDUCE PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS**

By now, many of you may have received or seen President McCormick's message about the state budget proposed by Governor Corzine, or you may have read about the proposal in the papers (see <http://www.rutgers.edu/FY2007Budget/> for those who haven't). The budget, as written, would seriously impact all areas of Rutgers operation, including the number and size of courses offered and the various academic and non-academic support services offered to students. It is important to emphasize, however, that this budget only represents the Governor's proposal to the legislature. Between now and June 30, legislators will be debating all aspects of the budget, and their constituents will be weighing in with their legislators in an effort to sway their vote one way or another. If you are concerned about the potential impact of the proposed cuts to Rutgers' funding, I strongly urge you to take action by contacting your elected officials (<http://capwiz.com/for/issues/alert/?alertid=8685546&type=ST>).

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**3. SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL NOTICE**

Students receiving any form of need-based scholarship must have completed their FAFSA renewal and any additional information requested by the Financial Aid Office by July 1, 2006 in order to be eligible for renewal for the 2006-2007 academic year. Students receiving state, university, or college merit scholarships must attain a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative GPA at the end of the spring term in order to be eligible for renewal for the 2006-2007 academic year. Students receiving any form of scholarship support must be registered as full-time students (12 credits or more) by July 1, 2006 in order to be eligible for renewal for the 2006-2007 academic year. Please be sure to adhere to criteria above to insure the continuation of your present scholarships. If you have any questions about the above please contact [Dr. John Gunkel](#).

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**4. INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES JUST MINUTES FROM CAMPUS**

Both the Star-Ledger (NJ's premiere newspaper) and Diversity, Inc. (an internationally recognized business magazine) are currently seeking summer interns in numerous areas including marketing, management, finance, journalism, graphic design, web design, publishing and more!! Interning at either one of these well-respected companies can teach you essential skills for your future careers, help

you build your resume, and introduce you to professionals from a wide selection of fields. Positions such as these are great for anyone regardless of their majors! That means the anyone who is seeking an internship - from anthropology to zoology - should think about applying. The summer is fast approaching so if you are interested in exploring either of these opportunities then please contact [Seth Mann](#) as soon as possible.

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#### **5. LAST CHANCE: SUMMER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY AT UMDNJ**

Dr. Nikhat Parveen, a faculty member at UMDNJ, is currently accepting applications for summer research assistantships in her lab. Prof. Parveen studies the molecular basis of pathogenesis of two bacterial species, *Borrelia burgdorferi* and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. These two clinically important bacterial pathogens are transmitted to humans using different mechanisms and also show different disease manifestations. This is an excellent opportunity for undergraduates to gain research experience in the medical field. If you are interested in applying to this position please contact [Seth Mann](#) immediately. To learn more about Prof. Parveen and her research please visit her website at <http://njmsmicro.umdnj.edu/index.php?pgidx=82>.

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#### **6. AVAILABLE RESEARCH ASSISTANT POSITION**

A faculty member in the Public Administration department is looking for an undergraduate to assist in the study of the administration of NJ towns, cities, boroughs, etc. The research assistant will be active in all aspects of the research process including: data gathering, performing content analysis of websites, searching local newspapers for relevant articles, transcribing interviews, performing literature reviews, and proofreading. This type of opportunity is great for anyone with an interest (not necessarily a major) in management, political science, public policy and other related fields.

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#### **7. MINORITY BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH SUPPORT PROGRAM (MBRS)**

Each year the Minority Biomedical Research Support (MBRS) Program at Rutgers-Newark places minority students in paid research positions across campus. The main goal of the program is to help fill the nation's shortage of minority men and women in biomedical research careers. Participants in the program develop their own research project, analyze and present their research findings at professional conferences, and co-author publications based on their research. Graduates of the program have continued on in many impressive graduate and medical schools such as Johns Hopkins, Yale, and Boston Universities. To apply for a position in the MBRS program you must be Black, Hispanic, Native American or Pacific Island background and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. You should also be declared as a major in biology, chemistry, neuroscience, psychology, physics or nursing. If you have any questions about this opportunity or would like directions on how to apply then please visit the program website at <http://mbrs.newark.rutgers.edu/index.html> or contact [Seth Mann](#). If you do decide to apply then please be sure to let us know.

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#### **8. SENIORS! JOIN YOUR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TODAY**

Those of you who are graduating this May should be sure to join the Rutgers-Newark Alumni Association (<http://andromeda.rutgers.edu/~alum/alumni.html>). Your first year is free! Being a member of your Alumni Association will provide you with discounts, opportunities to attend social outings, networking events and more.

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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.

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