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**1. LAST DAY TO DROP COURSES WITH “W”**

The last day to drop a course and receive a “W” grade will be March 26<sup>th</sup>. You will not be permitted to drop any courses after this date.

**2. IMPORTANT: REQUIRED CAPSTONE INFORMATION SESSION**

The Honors College will be holding important information sessions concerning the HC Senior Capstone requirement. All Honors College students are invited and encouraged to come, but those who plan to start their Senior Capstone Experience during the summer 07 or fall 07 semesters are required to attend. This presentation is extremely important and will cover the options and processes involved in completing the HC Senior Capstone Experience. Students may attend *either* of the following sessions. The first will be held on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30 am (free period) in the Paul Robeson Campus Center, room 235. The second will be held on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm (free period) in Paul Robeson Campus Center, room 234. If you are not sure if this applies to you or if you have any further questions, please contact Dr. Gunkel at [jugnk@newark.rutgers.edu](mailto:jugnk@newark.rutgers.edu).

**3. STUDY ABROAD INFORMATION SESSION**

Rutgers-Newark is hosting a Study Abroad Information Session on Monday April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 11:30 am – 12:50 pm (free period) in room 255 of the Paul Robeson Campus Center. Study Abroad representatives will be on hand to discuss the program and answer your questions. We hope you are able to join us and take advantage of this opportunity to learn about Rutgers’ extensive study abroad program. Going abroad could be one of the most valuable, exciting and enlightening experiences of your life so I urge you to join us next week and take the first step toward exploring the world and broadening your horizons! If you have any questions, please contact [Seth J. Mann](mailto:smann@rutgers.edu) at [smann@rutgers.edu](mailto:smann@rutgers.edu). And for general information about Study Abroad programs be sure to visit their website at <http://studyabroad.rutgers.edu/index.html>.

**4. 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! This is our 3<sup>rd</sup> year doing this program and I guarantee you will have a good time! Please be sure to check out all the exciting details and sign up at <http://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 at [smann@rutgers.edu](mailto:smann@rutgers.edu). Hope to see you there.

## 5. COURSE SELECTION FOR FALL 2007

The on-line schedule of classes for the fall 2007 semester is currently available at <http://www.acs.rutgers.edu/soc>. In addition, the Honors College Website (<http://honorsnewark.rutgers.edu/CurrentClasses.html>) will list current Honors College course offerings. Registration begins on Monday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please review the following links for other important advisement info:

**\*Academic Audit:** To print out your audit visit <http://rutgers-newark.rutgers.edu/dsanwk/AAintroduction.html>. Your Personal Access Code (PAC) is your 4-digit month/day of birth (For example, if you were born on November 1<sup>st</sup> then your PAC would be "1101"). Some of you might have changed this to another 4-digit number. If you forgot this new code then you will have to visit Computing Services on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of Hill Hall to retrieve it.

**\*General Education Requirements:** For complete description of general education requirements visit <http://www.rutgers-newark.rutgers.edu/dsanwk/gened.html>. Remember that your HC freshman colloquium counted towards your Interdisciplinary Requirement.

**\*Undergraduate Catalog:** The catalog contains information on every major and course offered at RU-Newark. There is an on-line version of the catalogue available at [http://catalogs.rutgers.edu/generated/nwk-ug\\_0608/index.html](http://catalogs.rutgers.edu/generated/nwk-ug_0608/index.html). There are hard copy versions available in Smith 236.

**\*Academic Calendar:** <http://registrar.rutgers.edu/NW/CAL-NW.HTM>

The Department of Public Safety would like to remind everyone that the University offers several free shuttle services. These shuttles provide transportation to neighboring institutions, train stations, parking lots and to Harrison and Kearny.

## 6. RACE AND MEDICINE: IS THERE AN UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIP?

Can racism make us ill? Does a person's race make that individual more healthy – or more sickly? Debates such as these are the core of this year's Applied and Urban Ethics Conference, scheduled for Saturday, March 31 at the Rutgers Center for Law and Justice on the Newark campus of Rutgers. "Race, Ethnicity and Medicine" – the eighth annual ethics program – will again be open to the public free of charge. The program features a keynote talk by Dr. Maria Soto-Greene, vice dean of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, who specializes in cultural competency for health care professionals. For complete details about the day's events visit <http://www.newark.rutgers.edu/news/index.php?sId=viewArticle&ArticleID=5650&prevTitle=Top+Stories&prevURL=index.php>.

## 7. ENERGY SECURITY AND GLOBAL WARMING CONFERENCE

On March 24<sup>th</sup> Americans for Informed Democracy is holding an important conference in Philadelphia called the "Powershift National Tour on Energy Security and Global Warming." This timely event will bring together students, concerned citizens, policy experts, elected officials, and local business and community leaders to explore real solutions to our energy crisis. This is a great opportunity for young leaders to learn how they can help tackle one of the most pressing issues of our time. This event is FREE and open to the public and includes complementary breakfast, refreshments, and lunch. There will also be a lot of exciting demonstrations, workshops and panels to attend. Come be part of the PowerShift and discover the knowledge and skills to tackle the global energy challenge. Together, we CAN make a difference and find sensible solutions for a brighter future. To learn more visit [www.aidemocracy.org/powershift.cfm](http://www.aidemocracy.org/powershift.cfm)

## 8. SHUTTLE INFORMATION

I am pleased to announce that starting March 19, 2007 the Department of Public Safety will provide shuttle services from Penn Station to Rutgers Newark (Penn Station Midnight Express) for all Rutgers Faculty, Staff or Students from 12 midnight to 4 a.m. 7 days a week. You may obtain a ride by boarding the shuttle at 350 M.L.K. Blvd (Robeson Center), across the street from 101 Bleeker ( Talbott Apartments) Street, 195 University Avenue (Boyden Hall) and Penn Station across the Street from The

Hilton Gateway. To obtain a shuttle transport call the following telephone numbers 973-353-5581 or 973-353-5088. Penn Station Route- provides continuous transportation between Rutgers, NJIT, and Penn Station Monday thru Friday from 4p.m. to 12 a.m. at 20 minute intervals. C.H.E.N. Route - provides continuous transportation throughout the listed institutions Rutgers, University of Medicine and Dentistry, Essex County College and New Jersey Institute of Technology. This shuttle operates Monday thru Friday from 8am to 10pm at 15 minute intervals. Kearny/Harrison Route-provides transportation for Rutgers and NJIT community to various locations in Harrison and Kearny. This shuttle operates Monday thru Friday from 3:30pm to 12 am at 30 minute intervals. Broad Street Station/North Parking Lot Shuttle-provides transportation to Broad Street Train Station and Rutgers Parking Lots located on Eagle and Essex Street. This service is available Monday thru Thursday from 9am to 5pm at 10 minute intervals.

#### **9. NEW SUMMER COURSE - FRANCE: NOW AND THEN**

France and the United States have shared fundamental values for over two centuries and seem to have always been fascinated with one another, and yet, as we know, their relations have also been fragile. Why? How is France different from the United States with respect to significant, and often controversial, issues such as justice, immigration, violence, etc? With these questions in mind, students will explore the historical, judicial, intellectual and social landmarks, which have shaped French culture and civilization since its Revolution. This course is designed for students who wish to explore French culture and learn to reflect critically on the culture of the United States. Students with or without knowledge of French are welcome, since course materials (full-length movies, literary and journalistic excerpts, web sites and visual art samples) will be available in both French and English. This course is listed on the On-line schedule of classes under "French" (420:347).

#### **10. NEW SUMMER COURSE – IRANIAN WOMEN POETS AND WRITERS**

This course will explore different periods of literature through the works of Iranian women poets and writers and their struggles for freedom and justice, watching and analyzing movies and videotapes on Iranian women's issues and relating them to those of women in the other parts of the world. This course is listed on the On-line schedule of classes under "350: English." The official course title is "Topics in Literature: Iranian Women Poets and Writers" and the course number is 337. Questions about the course should be directed to Prof. Minoo Varzegar.

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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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