

### Fall 2010 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 to 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 past Spring, we held our 5th annual Veterans Appreciation Reception allowing veterans to voice their concerns and meet key administrators. We participated in adult recruitment, orientations, transition programs, and veteran outreach initiatives, to name a few.

This semester, we welcome the new Director of Veteran Services, Ret. Col. Stephen Abel, who will provide our veterans with services targeted specifically to their needs. We have begun working with more Rutgers-New Brunswick professional schools toward creating degree-completion programs for direct admit of transfer students. This year, the School of Management and Labor Relations (SMLR) began admitting transfer students directly into their [new BS program](#). Our goal is to continue 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. We are looking forward to seeing you on August 28th.

### Rutgers University welcomes Director of Veteran Services Col. Stephen G. Abel

Colonel Stephen G. Abel, United States Army (Retired), joined the staff at Rutgers University on July 1, 2010 as part of the Vice President for Student Affairs team. His background includes Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Military and Veteran Affairs (DMVA), Director, Division of Veteran Services at State of New Jersey, DMVA and Administrator, Veterans Cemeteries, Monuments and Memorials at State of New Jersey, DMVA.

Col. Abel will be responsible for the development and coordination of a comprehensive program of support services for veteran students at all three Rutgers campuses (New Brunswick, Newark, and Camden). He will serve as the principal advocate for student veterans; ensure the quality of policies, programs, activities, and services designated to enhance the educational experiences of veterans, and act as the university's liaison with outside offices whose work impacts the lives of veteran students.



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### Adult/Nontraditional & Veteran Student Orientation

Saturday, August 28, 2010, 10:00am-3:00pm

Allison Road Classroom Bldg

618 Allison Rd, Piscataway, NJ 08854, Busch Campus

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

Network with other Adult/Nontraditional Students, meet area Veteran Affairs Reps, take a campus tour 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

**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 NONTRADITIONAL STUDENTS**

[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****Registrar Certifying Official**

Monica Licourt (UG) (848-445-2757)

**Financial Aid/ Accounting**

Elizabeth Rollins 848-932-7057 x2611

Margaret Reardon 848-932-1892

**Counseling Services**

Thomas Morgan 732-445-5216

**New Brunswick Veteran Student Organization  
RU-SERVS**

Rutgers NB has a new Veteran Student Organization open to current and veteran service members, family members/ friends of service members, or anyone who wants to support our veterans and troops on the New Brunswick campus.

The mission is to provide fellowship, resources, support and advocacy for student veterans and their families. This student-run organization was created for Veterans by Veterans!

For more information, please contact:

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**Drew Daddio**

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**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/student/IncomingStudents.html>

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

**PHARM:** [http://pharmacy.rutgers.edu/content/office\\_academic\\_services](http://pharmacy.rutgers.edu/content/office_academic_services)

**SMLR:** [bs@work.rutgers.edu](mailto:bs@work.rutgers.edu)

**EJBS:** <http://policy.rutgers.edu/academics/undergrad/prospective.php>

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

[RUConnection Card](#) is the official photo identification card that serves as the primary form of identity verification throughout the university for your convenience and 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

**LET US KNOW WHAT WE CAN DO FOR YOU**

Please let us know what kinds of programs or services you would like University College Community to sponsor. Tell us what kinds of online programs do you think you'd benefit from academically? We look forward to hearing from you. Complete the affiliate form at: <http://ucc.rutgers.edu/affiliate#ucc>

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE COUNCIL**

The University College Council's president, Drew Daddio, urges you to get involved and be part of a community of passionate individuals advocating for change for adult/ nontraditional students.

To join or to get more information, email: [drewdad@eden.rutgers.edu](mailto:drewdad@eden.rutgers.edu) or [kalynch@rci.rutgers.edu](mailto:kalynch@rci.rutgers.edu)

## UCC NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

### TANA G. LOY

Tana Loy started her career at Rutgers in the Fall of 2009 as a transfer student from Georgia Southern University and the North Metro Technical College. She shares that she is very happy with the choice she made to come to Rutgers University. She is a student at the School of Arts and Sciences and was recently admitted to the [Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy](#). Tana graduated from Georgia's Pickens HS in 2002. She is a veteran of the U.S. Army, married to an Army officer, has a three-year-old son and another child on the way! She is the epitome of an adult/ nontraditional student in higher education today and deservedly maintains a Rutgers' GPA of over 3.4. From firsthand experience balancing her schedule at home, work, and school, Tana is cognizant of the struggles that affect the lives of adult/ nontraditional students. Tana said, "The University College Community has been so supportive of the needs of adult/nontraditional students that I had incredible success so far at Rutgers."



This past January, Tana had the opportunity to meet other student veterans from the New Brunswick, Camden, and Newark campuses. These students inspired her to form a student organization that serves student veterans here on the Rutgers-New Brunswick campus. Along with several other student vets, Tana registered their group, which will be an active component of Student Involvement this fall. The groups name is Rutgers University Services, Education, and Resources for Student Veterans, or RU-SERVS. The mission is to put in place policies and procedures to make the



**R** U-SERVS members: Left to Right- John Alvarado, Drew Daddio, Kevin Parks, Tana Loy, Justin Sasso, and Harry Liu

transition to university life as smooth as possible for veterans, to provide social and academic support, advocacy, and outreach for veterans currently attending Rutgers and potential veterans who are contemplating academic careers at Rutgers. Tana believes she is fortunate that her time in the military has enabled her to attend college through the utilization of the Montgomery G.I. Bill/Post 9/11 G.I. Bill, and one of the goals of RU-SERVS is to encourage other veterans to take full advantage of their educational benefits. Rutgers is making huge progress in recognizing the unique needs of veteran students. Tana is honored to see this progress in action.

While Tana is originally from Texas, she chose Rutgers because of her husband's encouragement, support and belief in the quality of education that Rutgers offers. Her husband, a New Jersey native, is a 2003 graduate of Rutgers. Tana states that he has been incredibly supportive of her and believes that support from family and friends is key to helping adult/non-traditional students achieve success in an academic environment. "It is difficult to make that transition to being a student again, but the reward of obtaining a first-rate education more than makes up for the sacrifice. I am so glad the University College Community is available for students like myself who may need extra support in achieving their educational goals."



US Navy Dermatology Tech School, San Diego, 2005

#### Fall 2010 Veteran Course

Title: **Topics in Sociology**  **War Veterans: The American Experience and Consequences for Health**

Instructor: **Dr. R. Tyson Smith**  
 Course Numbers: **01 : 920 : 171 : 01** Credits: **1.5**  
 Day: **Wednesday** Time: **10:55 am – 12:15 pm**  
 Location: **Davison Hall, Rm. 122 Douglass**  
 Topics in the course will include, among others, the following:  
 • Women veterans                      • The sociology of emotions  
 • Vets from OIF/OEF                    • National Guard veterans  
 • Traumatic brain injury and PTSD  
 • The market relations that influence veteran health care

For more information, please visit <http://ucc.rutgers.edu/documents/vet-course>

#### Service -Learning Courses (CESEP Program)

Service-learning is a great way to take courses in which you learn about the 'real world' and to develop professional skills and experience before you graduate. Credit is given for service-learning courses, but there are other benefits: you can actively work toward improving the lives of others, learn how to contribute toward your community's enrichment, and develop skills for becoming engaged in civic life. Participants in service-learning meet community needs while developing their abilities for critical thinking and group problem-solving.

The Civic Engagement and Service Education partnerships (CESEP) program, formerly known as the CASE program, offers service-learning courses in many fields. Contact CESEP office for details and for an updated list of CESEP courses being offered this semester at 932-8660 or check website at <http://engage.rutgers.edu/>

**IMPORTANT SEMESTER DATES**

Last day to withdraw (100% refund)	Tue Aug 31
Fall Semester Begins	Wed Sept 1
Saturday Classes Begins	Sat Sept 11
Labor Day– University Closed	Mon Sept 6
Change in Class Days ( Wednesday follows Monday's schedule)	Wed. Sept 8 (follow Monday class schedule)
De-Registration for non-payment	Fri. Sept. 17
Thanksgiving Recess	Wed. Nov 24– Sun Nov 28
Regular Classes End	Mon. Dec 13
Reading Days	Tue. Dec 14 & Wed. Dec 15
Fall Exams Begin	Thurs. Dec 16
Fall Exams End	Thurs. Dec 23
Winter Recess Begins	Fri. Dec 24
Winter Recess Ends	Mon Jan 17, 2011
Spring Semester Begins	Tue Jan 18, 2011
Regular Sat Classes begin	Sat Jan 22, 2011

**LAST DAY to Drop is Thurs., 09/09/10.** (without a "W" grade)

**LAST DAY to ADD is Friday, 09/10/10.**

Complete Withdrawal Tuition Refunds Only Dates in effect. (Not to be confused with a course drop).

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

For refunds policies, see details on the following website:

<http://nbregistrar.rutgers.edu/undergrad/f10cal.htm>

**Please Note:**

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

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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