Welcome to Rutgers University and the beginning of your academic career! The Scarlet Guide contains information that will guide you through the important first steps to complete before arriving on campus in the fall.
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The checklist below will help guide you through the important first steps to complete before arriving to campus in the fall.

- **Activate your NetID and establish your email address**
  All faculty, staff, and students are assigned a Rutgers unique identifier known as a NetID. A NetID is comprised of initials and a unique number (e.g. jqs23). In order to access many of the electronic services available to you at Rutgers, you need to activate your Rutgers NetID and set your authentication password. Your assigned NetID will appear on the activation screen.
  - NetIDs are activated in the Enrollment Pathway, ugadmissions.rutgers.edu/pathway. Alternatively, you can activate your NetID and manage your services at netid.rutgers.edu
  - ScarletApps (Google for Rutgers), which gives you access to email and other collaborative applications, is the default email for students at Rutgers.
  
  **Email Tips:** NEVER share your password with anyone. Rutgers will NEVER request confidential information via email.

- **Learn your RUID**
  Your RUID is a unique 9-digit number that Rutgers assigns to you as your identification number. It is used in place of a social security number to identify you on class rosters and with most University departments. The number was assigned to you during the admissions process. This information is important for placement tests, advising, and anything Rutgers-related.

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  My Rutgers email address is [ ]

- **Check your ScarletMail email account**
  scarletmail.rutgers.edu
  Your email address will enable you to receive important electronic communications from academic and administrative offices. Check your email often. You can access your email at scarletmail.rutgers.edu or at my.rutgers.edu.

- **Visit your myRutgers portal at my.rutgers.edu**
  This is a web-based information portal that can be personalized to provide central access to a variety of online services such as class registration, grades, financial aid, and email. It will be a great resource for you as a student.

- **Take Placement Tests**
  orap.rutgers.edu/testplace.html
  Placement tests determine the courses that you are eligible to take in writing, math, and foreign languages. Please refer to page 4 for more information about your placement testing requirements. If you are entitled to specific testing accommodations under ADA/Section 504, you will make arrangements to take the tests at an alternate time.

- **Plan to attend Mason Gross Placement Test and Registration Day, Saturday, May 11, 2013**
  See pages 4–5 for details.

- **Take your photo for your RUconnection ID Card**
  ruconnection.rutgers.edu
  You can take your ID picture when you come to campus for summer orientation or Mason Gross Placement Test and Registration Day, Saturday, May 11. If you are unable to take your picture on these dates, you can visit the RU Express and Board Plan Office in Records Hall Room 102 through July 12 to have your picture taken. You will need to bring a current government-issued photo ID, such as a driver's license, passport, or state ID, with you when getting your picture taken. You must also know your 9-digit RUID number. Your permanent photo ID card will be mailed to you in August. If you do not have your photo taken before July 12, you will receive a temporary ID card, which you can exchange for a permanent card when you arrive on campus for the fall semester.

- **Register for the Summer Orientation Program**
  nso.rutgers.edu
  Join us for one of our two-day, overnight summer orientation sessions. Here, you will learn essential information on Rutgers services and resources and what it means to be a college student. Summer sessions begin in June and end in mid-August. New students will be able to register for summer orientation through the Enrollment Pathway.
Submit required Health Immunization records by July 15
health.rutgers.edu/immunization
Download an immunization form at health.rutgers.edu/immunization. Then give it to your health care provider for completion and submit by July 15. COMPLIANCE WITH IMMUNIZATIONS IS REQUIRED UNDER NEW JERSEY LAW FOR ALL STUDENTS. Failure to complete and return the form will result in a registration block that precludes being registered for the following semester and will prohibit access to housing assignment information.

Submit your final official high school and/or college transcripts by July 13
Your final official records must include certification and dates conferred of any diplomas or degrees, as well as final grades for courses in progress at the time of your admission. Official copies of all transcripts should be sent to:

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
Office of University Undergraduate Admissions
Room 202
65 Davidson Road
Piscataway, NJ 08854-8097

Apply for On-Campus Housing
RUoncampus.rutgers.edu
To apply for on-campus housing you must complete the online housing and dining agreement which is available through the Enrollment Pathway. Students are required to submit a non-refundable $200 deposit during the application process. First-year students are strongly encouraged to live on campus, unless living at home with relatives. Assignments are processed on a first-come, first-served basis so it is important to apply as soon as possible.

Select a Meal Plan
food.rutgers.edu
All on-campus residential students are required to carry a meal plan. For first-year students the minimum requirement is a 210 meal plan; upper-class students the minimum requirement is a 105 meal plan. You can make your selection through the on-line university housing agreement. Smaller meal plans are available for non-residential and commuter students.

Find Off-Campus Housing
ruoffcampus.rutgers.edu
The Off-Campus Housing Service provides an online listing of off-campus residences and provides students with useful information about moving off campus.

Apply for Financial Aid by the priority deadline of March 15
For more information visit studentaid.rutgers.edu

Pay your Term Bill
studentabc.rutgers.edu
Bills will be emailed to your Rutgers University email address in late July and are due on August 8. To view your account or pay your term bill, visit finservices.rutgers.edu/otb.

Purchase a Parking Permit
rudots.rutgers.edu
All commuter and residential students are allowed to have cars on campus. Vehicles are required to be registered and students must purchase a parking permit. Please be advised that a permit is also required for anyone visiting a student that needs to park in university parking areas for any length of time. Please visit the Department of Transportation Services for more information about parking permits.

Kick-off your journey at Rutgers by attending Camp UKnight!
getinvolved.rutgers.edu/leadership
Camp UKnight is a 3-day/2-night summer leadership experience that gives students an opportunity to make friends, engage in exciting activities, learn more about Rutgers and its traditions, and most importantly, develop a foundation of leadership. The Camp UKnight staff is enthusiastic and devoted to helping students find their niche at the University. There are two separate camps available: one for traditional first-year students and one for transfer students. More information can be found at the website above.

Join us for Scarlet Knight Days
nso.rutgers.edu
Look for additional programs and events just for new students in the days before classes start on Tuesday, September 3 and continuing throughout the first week of classes.

Mark Your Calendar
Classes begin Tuesday, September 3, 2013.
First-Year Placement Test Day

Class registration for Music and Visual Arts.
Saturday, May 11, 2013, Arrive at 8:15am
Location: Hickman Hall, Room 138, Douglass Campus (For GPS directions: 89 George St., New Brunswick, NJ 08901)

To secure your seat for the May 11 Placement Test Day, or to secure an alternate date if you cannot attend on May 11, you must register by visiting oirap.rutgers.edu/testplace.html. It is essential that you take the tests as early in the spring as possible. Please reserve your seat now.

Placement Testing Information
All first-year students are required to take the Rutgers University Placement Tests in English and both sections of mathematics. These tests must be taken before you can be registered for classes. The tests must be taken seriously; the results have an impact on the classes you will be required to take.

We urge you to review sample questions without using a calculator at oirap.rutgers.edu/testplace.html, in the Placement Testing Information Bulletin.

Those students who received a 30 in the total English score of the ACT will receive an automatic placement into Expository Writing 101 upon completion of the math placement test. Students who earned a Critical Reading SAT score of 600 or more (by January 2013) are exempt from the English test and will be placed directly into Expository Writing; students who earned a score of 4 or 5 in their junior year in AP English or Calculus AB or BC are exempt from that portion of the placement test, provided the scores have been reported to Rutgers.

What to Bring
You should bring your Rutgers ID number, a current government-issued photo ID, No. 2 pencils, blue or black pen, and a bag lunch or money for lunch. Food lines can be quite long on placement testing days; you may find it more convenient to bring your own lunch. Do NOT bring a calculator of any kind.

Students Who Cannot Attend First-Year Placement Test Day on May 11
Out-of-state students, international students, religiously observant students and students who truly cannot come to campus on May 11 must register to take the Placement Tests on a different day or make alternative arrangements.

To register for placements tests visit, oirap.rutgers.edu/testplace.html.

Contact April Pagano at pagano@instlres.rutgers.edu to arrange to come to campus on a different day or complete the tests at your high school. This should be done before your high school graduation, and it is essential that you complete the placement tests by June 2.

Out-of-state students should consider attending the transfer orientation in June and take the Placement Tests on campus.

For fall course registration, contact the academic adviser in your department. See page 6 for contact information.

Foreign Language Placement Test Information
Foreign language is not required for graduation from Mason Gross. Therefore, you are not required to take a foreign-language placement test. However, if you wish to continue a language that you have studied for two years or more in high school, you must take a placement test in that language. You may begin a foreign language at Rutgers that you have never studied without taking a placement test. Dance students see page 5 for more information.

Students with Disabilities
Students needing testing accommodations should not attend the First-Year Placement Test and Registration Day on May 5 because accommodations are not available on this date. If you are entitled to extended testing time (or other testing modifications) under ADA/Section 504, please contact the Office of Disability Services at dsoffice@rci.rutgers.edu. After contacting Disability Services, contact April Pagano in the Testing and Placement office at pagano@instlres.rutgers.edu to arrange to take the tests at an alternate time. Please contact her ASAP. Do not attend one of the published test dates because these sessions do not offer special accommodations.

For fall course registration, contact the academic adviser in your department (see page 6 for contact information).

Placement Test Results
In most cases your testing results should be available a few weeks after you take the tests. You will find the placement testing results on your Enrollment Pathway page, admissions.rutgers.edu/pathway.
## Schedule for First-Year Placement Test Day — May 11, 2013

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<td>Level 1 Math (for English-exempt students)</td>
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<td>Foreign Language Placement Exam (Only required for potential EdM candidates in Dance)</td>
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**1:45pm**

**Dance Students**

Once you have completed the English and Math placement test, the Dance Department will make sure you have successfully registered for the appropriate courses. There is no registration session for Dance majors today.

Some Dance students may need to complete a Foreign Language Placement Test from 2:15 to 3:30pm.

If you would like to be considered for the dual degree leading to both a BFA in performance and an EdM in dance education* you should take the placement exam in the foreign language that you studied in high school in addition to the English and both math portions of the placement test.

*Note: Application for the EdM portion of the degree is completed junior year.

**Music Students**

As soon as you have finished your Level 2 Math test (this could be before 1:45pm), join Ellen Leibowitz in the Marryott Music Building for registration. End time approximately 3:30 p.m.

**Visual Arts Students**

Join Amee Pollack in Hickman Hall Room 202 for registration. End time approximately 3:00pm.

**Theater Arts Students**

You may leave at the conclusion of Math Part II. Class registration will take place on campus in August.

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**ALL MASON GROSS STUDENTS MUST TAKE BOTH PORTIONS OF THE MATH PLACEMENT TEST.**
Academic Credit

AP credit
If you earn a score of 4 or 5 on an Advanced Placement Exam, scores should be sent to Rutgers University (Rutgers CEEB code is 2765). Dean Coakley will send a letter to your home address this summer if you are receiving college credit for an AP exam.

Credit earned at a college or community college
If you have completed a college class from an accredited college or university and earned a grade of C or better, have an official college transcript (not your grade report) sent directly to Dean Coakley at Mason Gross School of the Arts, 33 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901.

Transfer Students

We are eager to make your first semester at Rutgers as fulfilling as possible. Please complete the following steps immediately:

• Make an appointment to meet with your departmental adviser to register for fall classes and discuss your degree requirements by the end of June. Please see the departmental contacts below.

• Contact Kayleigh Cesare, the Coordinator of Student Services, to find out if you need to take a placement test in English or math in June. (Rutgers University does not honor placement test scores from previous universities). Kayleigh also can address questions you may have regarding liberal arts requirements.

Departmental Contacts

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Hanneline Rogeberg, Undergraduate Director
Department-Specific Information

Dance

Important Note for Dance Majors
The Dance Department wishes to ensure that all students enrolled in dance classes have access to appropriate health care to safeguard their continued health and ability to pursue a robust career in dance. It is important that students have access to specialists in New Jersey and New York appropriate for someone preparing for a career in dance. Please review your policy to make certain the plan provides such coverage. Rutgers University sponsors a student insurance health plan that meets that criteria. For information on the plan contact the Office of Student Insurance in the Hurtado Health Center at 848-932-8285.

Music

Piano Proficiency Exam
As a Music Major you will need to pass a piano proficiency exam. If you have played the piano for more than 6 months, you will be tested in piano on the first day of class. If you have no background in piano you will be required to complete two semesters of piano class and take the Piano Proficiency as the final exam in the spring semester.

Theater

Registration for First-year Students
You will meet your academic advisers and complete class registration during the Theater Department orientation. You will receive more information from the department during the Theater Department orientation in September. Your parents will have the opportunity to meet faculty members and learn about the program on move-in day.

Visual Arts

Visual Arts students are responsible for purchasing supplies for certain studio courses. Students will need additional supplies as the semester progresses. It is important to budget accordingly.

The Visual Arts Department provides some recommendations for personal computers.

- Laptops: MacBook or MacBook Pro
- Desktops: Current iMacs or Mac Minis

These options are most conducive to much of the work you will be doing in the Visual Arts Department. Students can also log into software.rutgers.edu for educational pricing on Adobe products. Rutgers pricing is better than most other educational software vendors.

Please note, it is NOT required that you have or purchase your own personal computer. There is a 24-hour computer lab in the Civic Square Building open to all Mason Gross Visual Arts students.

Housing

Housing Recommendation
Please consider choosing the Performing Arts House in the New Gibbons complex. This special-interest housing is designed for Mason Gross students specifically in Dance, Music and Theater, this building is co-ed and this option will fill quickly. It is a creative and collaborative arts house that provides practice rooms appropriate for individual or group work in the building. New Gibbons is a short walk from Bettenbender Plaza, where most dance classes and rehearsals take place. Complete your housing application as early as possible.

Visual Arts students find it convenient to live on the College Avenue Campus or the Cook/Douglass Campus. Please complete the online housing application as early as possible to have the greatest selection. Housing fills quickly, and assignments are processed on a first-come, first-served basis, so it is important to apply as soon as possible.
Mason Gross First-Year and Transfer Student Orientation

SAVE THE DATE:
Monday, September 2, 2013, Mason Gross Orientation, 9:30am in Levin Theater.

All first-year students and transfer students—both commuters and resident students—must attend. Orientation is required. This is a separate orientation from New Student Orientation that takes place in the summer. Mason Gross First-year and Transfer Student Orientation is only for Mason Gross students. It enables you to meet fellow students, hear from staff, faculty and students regarding what your experience at Mason Gross will be like and meet the Deans at Mason Gross School of the Arts.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the foundation of higher learning. As a new student coming to Rutgers, you will be expected to abide by the Academic Integrity Policy...and naturally that means we want you to understand it!

Academic integrity is important because the quality of your education is important. The principles of academic integrity require the following:

• All work submitted in a course or related academic activity must be a student’s own and must have been produced without the aid of unsanctioned materials or collaboration.
• All use of the ideas, results, or words of others must be properly acknowledged and cited.
• All contributors to a given piece of work must be acknowledged properly.
• All data or results must be obtained by ethical means and reported accurately without suppressing any results inconsistent with the author’s interpretation or conclusions.

If you are not sure about academic integrity, ask someone. There are myriad resources available to you as a Rutgers University student:

• Talk to your professor or teaching assistant about their expectations
• Contact your academic department or University Libraries for help
• Consult the Writing Program or Learning Centers
• Visit the Academic Integrity website: academicintegrity.rutgers.edu

All incoming students are required to complete an academic integrity tutorial during their first semester at Rutgers University. Information about the tutorial will either be emailed to you or provided to you in one of your first semester classes. If you have any questions regarding the tutorial please contact studentconduct@rci.rutgers.edu.

For questions about the Academic Integrity Policy, contact the Office of Student Conduct, Bishop House 107 on the College Avenue Campus. To read a full copy of the Academic Integrity Policy or the University Code of Student Conduct, visit academicintegrity.rutgers.edu.
Douglass Residential College

Douglass Residential College is a distinct community at Rutgers-New Brunswick that inspires women’s academic, personal, social and professional development.

Part of Tradition. A Whole New Inspiration.
douglass.rutgers.edu

Learning through action, mentoring, and making lifelong connections with students, faculty and alumnae are all important features of the Douglass experience. Douglass supports women at all stages of their academic careers; new first-year and transfer students, non-traditional students, commuters, and residential students are eligible to become members of the College.

Douglass women at Rutgers get the best of both worlds. Female students attending an undergraduate school at New Brunswick can have all the resources that Rutgers offers and simultaneously belong to Douglass’ small, close-knit community that feels like home. Douglass women gain a competitive edge at Rutgers through exclusive academic and career enrichment opportunities, mentoring and advising, residential learning experiences, and leadership programs. Students are also linked to an empowering network of students, faculty, staff and alumnae who are devoted to their achievement of excellence.

To find out more about how Douglass will enhance your Rutgers experience, help you achieve your potential and become the leader of your own life, visit us at douglass.rutgers.edu or email douglassadmits@echo.rutgers.edu to request more information.

Follow us on Twitter: @RUDouglass; Facebook: Douglass Residential College; and Instagram: RUDouglass

Byrne Family First-Year Seminars

Available to all first-year students and transfer students who have completed fewer than 25 credits
byrne.rutgers.edu
To register, please contact your departmental advisor. See page 6 for contact information

Eager to find a major? Curious about a new topic? Byrne Seminars are a unique opportunity to explore your interests with our most talented faculty. Professors share their intellectual passion in small seminars, capped at 20 students. Learn about cutting-edge research in a wide range of fields. There are no formal exams and no pressure for a grade. Byrne Seminars are one credit, pass/no credit courses available only to first-year students. Find your passion. Explore majors you may not have considered. Enroll in a Byrne Seminar!
Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register for classes?
For most students registration occurs on Mason Gross Placement Test Day, Saturday, May 11. If you cannot attend the placement test on May 11, simply contact your departmental adviser (see page 6) to set up your schedule. This process can usually be completed over the phone. If you are in the Mason Gross Theater Department, registration will occur when you arrive on campus in August. You may contact your departmental adviser with any questions.

Will I be able to graduate in four years?
Each Mason Gross department has a specific four-year curriculum. If you attend regularly with your adviser and succeed academically each semester, you will be able to complete your degree in four years.

How big are the classes?
Most Mason Gross classes are quite small with fewer than forty students. On the other hand, liberal-arts classes can be large lectures with smaller discussion meetings, called recitations, led by a teaching assistant.

Where can I view degree requirements?
Please refer to www.masongross.rutgers.edu/information/current-students/academic-checklists to view your degree requirements. Other information regarding Mason Gross programs and policies can be found in the Rutgers Online Catalogs at catalogs.rutgers.edu.

When will I receive my fall schedule?
Your fall schedule of classes will be emailed to you at your Rutgers email address during the third week of August; it should be available online at the end of August through the Rutgers portal (my.rutgers.edu). You will not have access to make changes until add/drop in the first week of classes.

Plan to attend the Fall Welcome Week programs about decoding your schedule and speak with an academic adviser during orientation or the first week of classes.

I can’t attend First-Year Placement Test and Registration Day on May 11. What should I do?
Out-of-state students, international students, religiously observant students and students who truly cannot come to campus on May 11 must register to take the placement tests on a different day or make alternative arrangements, please see page 4 for more information. For fall course registration, contact the academic adviser in your department. Please see page 6 for academic adviser contact information.

In order for the Department of Music to be able complete your Fall semester registration, music students must take the English, Math, and Music Placement Tests on Saturday, May 11. Only those music students who cannot attend on May 11 due to the situations listed above may take their English and Math placement tests on another day. Once your English and Math placement test date is set, contact the Department of Music to schedule your music placement tests. (732-932-9220).

My friends are going to the School of Arts and Sciences (SAS) next year. Can I go to the Academic Planning and Advising Day (APA) with them? No. The School of Arts and Sciences will host several APA days this spring. These day-long events are designed to help liberal arts students decide which courses to take in the fall. You have been admitted into a professional program in the arts at Mason Gross. Your class schedule for fall is largely determined for you by your department. Please do not attend the APA days; doing so will lead to confusion.

Does Mason Gross have an honors program?
Mason Gross does not have an honors program. You have auditioned and have been admitted to a highly competitive program in the arts. There are no honors courses and no honors track at Mason Gross.

What if I decide that a major in the arts is not suitable for my needs? Can I transfer to the School of Arts and Sciences?
Transferring to the School of Arts and Sciences is possible but not guaranteed. You must meet the admissions requirements, which include two years of high school foreign language, a math placement test score, and a minimum grade of C in Expository Writing. In addition, you must have earned 12 credits at Mason Gross and be in good academic standing. Complete details on requirements are available on the School-to-School website, admissions.rutgers.edu/SchoolToSchool.

Can I double major at Mason Gross?
Your primary major will be in Dance, Music, Visual Arts or Theater at Mason Gross. With careful planning, some students add a second major (or minor) from those available at the School of Arts and Sciences. You may not pursue a second major in another department at Mason Gross.

As a Mason Gross student can I sign up for a Byrne Family First-Year Seminar?
Yes, Byrne Seminars are available to all first-year and transfer students that have completed fewer than 25 credits. They meet once a week for 10 weeks. They provide a wonderful opportunity to meet with a senior faculty member and explore an area of interest with students from across the New Brunswick campus. For more information and to sign up, please contact your departmental adviser; see page 6 for contact information.

As a Mason Gross student can I be a member of a Learning Community? Yes, however you need to contact your academic adviser to ensure your major requirements do not conflict with the learning community course(s). To learn more about learning community options, please visit rulc.rutgers.edu.
When will I find out about my housing assignment and roommate?
An email regarding your housing assignment and roommate information will be sent to you by the Housing and Residence Life Assignments Office during the first week in August. Assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis while considering the preferences indicated within your housing agreement. Every effort is made to accommodate both campus and roommate preferences; however, a high demand for housing may prevent all requests from being honored. For more information, visit RUoncampus.rutgers.edu.

How do I put money in my RU Express account and what can I use it for?
RU Express is the student debit program at Rutgers, a cash-free alternative that will allow students to use their University ID cards like a debit card. RU Express is accepted at most on-campus locations as well as many off-campus locations. For more information, visit ruexpress.rutgers.edu.

What is Rutgers doing to maintain a safe learning environment?
The campuses at Rutgers University are safe; however, no community is immune from crime. Rutgers has taken numerous measures to improve safety including the installation of over 2,700 security cameras and operating a state-of-the-art 9-1-1 Center, but the importance of your role in crime prevention cannot be understated. You can help reduce your vulnerability by staying alert and not leaving valuables unattended or unsecured in public places including laptops, cell-phones, or bikes which are particularly vulnerable to theft. Additionally, the Division of Administration & Public Safety reminds you, when the time to act has come, the time to prepare has passed. Accordingly, you are encouraged to become familiar with the University’s Emergency Action Plans available at halflife.rutgers.edu/eap/eap.html. For more information about campus safety, crime prevention, and how to sign up for emergency text messages visit aps.rutgers.edu.

Do I need a car to get back and forth between the campuses?
Rutgers University has an extensive transit system that provides transportation between all of the New Brunswick campuses. Most buses are also equipped with a bicycle rack to allow students to easily transport their bicycle from one campus to another. Students who have vehicles on campus are only permitted to park on one campus and must use the bus system for travel to other campuses. For information about the campus transit system and services, visit rudots.rutgers.edu.

What types of health and counseling services are available on campus?
Rutgers Health Services offers a comprehensive range of mental health, medical, pharmacy, health outreach, promotion, and education services to Rutgers students. Please visit the Rutgers Health Services website at health.rutgers.edu to confirm hours and locations for all services.

What type of computer do I need?
If you choose to bring a computer, it is a matter of preference whether you choose a laptop, desktop, or netbook. Many students bring laptops for the convenience of portability. Rutgers Computer Repair (732-445-5000) is an on-campus resource offering authorized warranty services for the major computer manufacturers; they can provide assistance if you have questions. If you don’t bring your own computer, there are fifteen computer labs with over 900 computers spread across the New Brunswick campuses. The labs can augment your computing experience by offering academic and specialized software and printing. For more information, visit nOCS.rutgers.edu/newstudent.

Visual Arts majors please refer to page 8 for specific computer recommendations.

When do I buy my books?
The bookstore begins posting course book information as soon as it is received from your instructors, so you can purchase books as much as a month in advance of the semester. Doing so allows you access to the greatest stock of used textbooks. You may also opt to purchase your books after you attend your first class sessions and receive your syllabi. If you do wait until the start of the term to buy your books, bring your course schedule with you to ensure the quickest assistance with obtaining your books. Textbook rentals and e-textbooks are now available on many titles both in-store and online. When you visit your university bookstore, just look for the shelf cards that list rental or e-textbook options. You may order your textbooks online and obtain more information about the university bookstores at rutgers.bncollege.com.

How do students find jobs?
The Student Employment Office (SEO) administers two employment programs and assists students with finding part-time and seasonal employment. The Federal Work Study Program is a need-based Financial Aid Program that offers eligible students employment in a variety of on-campus jobs and off-campus paid community service jobs. The Job Location and Development Program offers part-time and seasonal employment to all currently-enrolled students. For more information on the Student Employment Office, please visit studentwork.rutgers.edu.

Where can I find resources for students with disabilities?
To request accommodations under ADA/Section 504, contact the Office of Disability Services, Lucy Stone Hall, Suite A-145, 54 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854. For additional information email dsoffice@echo.rutgers.edu or visit disabilityservices.rutgers.edu.
I need special test accommodations. How do I make these arrangements?
If you are entitled to extended testing time (or other testing modifications) under ADA/Section 504, please contact the Office of Disability Services at dsoffice@rci.rutgers.edu. After contacting Disability Services, contact April Pagano in the Testing and Placement office at pagano@instlres.rutgers.edu to arrange to take the tests at an alternate time. Please contact her ASAP. Do not attend one of the published test dates; these sessions do not offer special accommodations.

I have been admitted to the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program. Is there anything special I need to know?
Yes. Students attending a summer EOF program do not need to register for the Rutgers University Summer Orientation Program on the Enrollment Pathway. Specific information about the Summer Orientation Program, if applicable, will be provided by your school’s EOF Program.

I am an international student. Are there resources I should know about?
The Center for Global Services (previously known as the Center for International Faculty and Student Services) advises students on immigration, cultural adjustment, health insurance, and other matters. A variety of programs and workshops are offered by Center for Global Services to enhance international students’ experience at Rutgers. Please plan on attending International Student Orientation from Monday, August 26 – Friday, August 30. Additional information and a registration form are included with the I-20 packet sent to you by the Admissions Office. For more information, email ru_cifss@email.rutgers.edu. For other resources and latest updates on the orientation program and schedule, visit internationalservices.rutgers.edu.

What types of services and programs are available for veteran students?
The Office of Veteran and Military Programs and Services was established to help with any and all issues that student veterans and military face as they transition from combat to campus. Veterans House is the home of the director and assistant director of Veteran and Military Programs and Services. Services and dedicated staff available to veteran and military students include academic advising and tutoring, a student lounge with wireless internet providing quiet study space, a mental health clinician, a state veteran service officer who works directly with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and disability services/accommodations. For more information, visit veterans.rutgers.edu.

What services are available for commuter students?
Commuter Life and the Off-Campus Students’ Association (OCSA) offer a comprehensive range of programs and support, and serve as a source of information for all off-campus/commuter students at Rutgers University. Please visit commuters.rutgers.edu for more information. Students can also email questions or concerns to commuters@echo.rutgers.edu.

Am I required to attend Rutgers Summer Orientation?
All students are expected to attend Summer Orientation. It is an excellent way to get acclimated to Rutgers University and is essential for a successful first year at Rutgers.
# University Academic Calendar

scheduling.rutgers.edu/calendar.shtml

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| Changes in Designation of Class Days | Tue Nov 26 — Thursday Classes  
                                      | Wed Nov 27 — Friday Classes   |
| Thanksgiving Recess               | Thurs Nov 28–Sun Dec 1 |
| **Regular Classes End**           | Wed Dec 11      |
| Reading Days                      | Thurs Dec 12 & Fri Dec 13 |
| Fall Exams Begin                  | Mon Dec 16      |
| Fall Exams End                    | Mon Dec 23      |
| Winter Recess Begins              | Tue Dec 24      |
| Winter Recess Ends                | Mon Jan 20, 2014|
| Spring Semester Begins            | Tue Jan 21      |
| Spring Recess Begins              | Sat March 15    |
| Spring Recess Ends                | Sun March 23    |
| Regular Classes End               | Mon May 5       |
| Reading Days                      | Tue May 6 and Wed May 7 |
| Spring Exams Begin                | Thurs May 8     |
| Spring Exams End                  | Wed May 14      |
| University Commencement           | Sun May 18      |
| Summer Session Begins             | Tue May 27      |
### Helpful Websites

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To connect by phone with any Rutgers University office or staff member, contact RU-info at 732-445-info (4636).
Office of Student Conduct  studentconduct.rutgers.edu
Ombudsperson for Students  ombuds.rutgers.edu
Parking (Dept. of Transportation Services)  rudots.rutgers.edu
Paul Robeson Cultural Center  prcc.rutgers.edu
Placement Tests  oirap.rutgers.edu/testplace.html
Post Offices  mds.rutgers.edu
Public Safety  aps.rutgers.edu
Recreation & Community Development  recreation.rutgers.edu
Registrar  nbregistrar.rutgers.edu
Risk Management and Insurance  riskmanagement.rutgers.edu
RUconnection ID cards  ruconnection.rutgers.edu
RU Express  ruexpress.rutgers.edu
RU-info  ruinfo.rutgers.edu
RU Police Department (non-emergency)  aps.rutgers.edu
RU-tv (including repairs)  rutv.rutgers.edu
Schedule of Classes  www.acs.rutgers.edu/soc
Scholarships  admissions.rutgers.edu/0801.asp
Social Justice Education and LGBT Communities  socialjustice.rutgers.edu
Student Accounting (Payments)  studentabc.rutgers.edu
Student Affairs  studentaffairs.rutgers.edu
Student Centers  getinvolved.rutgers.edu
Student Employment  studentwork.rutgers.edu
Student Life  getinvolved.rutgers.edu
Undergraduate Education  undergraduate.rutgers.edu
Undergraduate Research  aresty.rutgers.edu
University Code of Student Conduct  judicialaffairs.rutgers.edu
University College Community  ucc.rutgers.edu
Veterans Services  veterans.rutgers.edu
Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance  vpva.rutgers.edu
Writing Centers  wp.rutgers.edu

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