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# WELCOME to the 2018 International Student Orientation



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Dear Students,

Welcome to Rutgers! We are delighted to bring you into the university family during this exciting time of international growth. As our newest global citizens, you help us strengthen our tradition of academic excellence and our commitment to learning. Rutgers has been an international university since its founding as a Dutch seminary school in 1766, and we are honored that you have chosen to join us.

Rutgers Global is here to provide you with much of the assistance you need as an international student. We invite you to make the most of your time while at Rutgers and to participate in conversations and activities through the many exciting programs and opportunities offered at the university. Inside and beyond the classroom, you will meet people from around the United States and across the globe. They will be eager to learn about your stories—so please make an effort to share your experiences with your peers and classmates. As your hosts today, we will help you streamline your arrival and cultural adjustment, as we've done for thousands of international students and scholars who came before you, through advising services, immigration processing, and cross-cultural events and programs.

We know that it may take time for many of you to adjust to your new environment, and we are dedicated to ensuring that while you are at Rutgers and in the United States, you are comfortable in your surroundings and have the tools to succeed in the classroom—as well as outside of it. Last spring, we established Rutgers

Global–International Academic Support, a new office of Rutgers Global designed specifically to address the academic challenges unique to international students.

We want Rutgers to be your home away from home, a welcoming and safe environment for you to learn, to thrive, and to live. Rutgers Global is here to make your stay at Rutgers a memorable one. We are always open to suggestions on how we can improve the services and resources we offer you and the rest of our large international community, so feel free to contact us any time at [info@global.rutgers.edu](mailto:info@global.rutgers.edu).

Best wishes for the new semester!

**Professor Eric Garfunkel**  
Vice President for Global Affairs

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Dear Students,

Welcome to Rutgers and to the 2018 International Student Orientation. You have chosen to study at a premier U.S. university, and we are pleased to welcome you to the Rutgers family.

As you begin your journey, I would like you to think of Rutgers Global-International Student and Scholar Services as your home away from home. Our office, a part of Rutgers Global, consists of a team of dedicated and expert staff committed to providing high-quality services, programs, information, and support to international students, scholars, faculty, academic departments, and administrative units at Rutgers-New Brunswick and Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences (RBHS). We also partner with various units to ensure an integrated experience for international students and scholars.

Our team will assist you with your immigration related needs and provide information, application processing services, and referrals on matters related to your legal status, such as employment and overseas travel. We can also assist with questions and concerns related to social and personal adjustments to a new culture, a new educational system, as well as connect you with appropriate on and off-campus resources as needed.

You can connect with our office through in-person advising, phone and email contacts, attending programs, receiving email announcements, and by visiting [global.rutgers.edu](http://global.rutgers.edu). We look forward to hearing your feedback about our website.

During your time at Rutgers, I am sure that you will hear us say that, "legal status and academic success go hand in hand." Communicating

effectively with the center staff will help you achieve your academic goals while maintaining your legal status. While our services will help you remain compliant with immigration regulations, we will also provide avenues for you to expand your social networks. Our office coordinates the International Friendship Program (IFP), which is a cross-cultural social initiative that brings together international and American students for fun and exciting events. You can see the IFP event schedule at [facebook.com/RutgersIFP](https://facebook.com/RutgersIFP) or [global.rutgers.edu](http://global.rutgers.edu).

Adjusting to a new school and a new country takes time, and we are here to help you during this transitional phase and beyond. You'll find that the International Student Orientation will be a valuable learning experience for you, as well as an opportunity to make new friends and enjoy the diverse environment we have cultivated here at Rutgers. I encourage you to make the most of today's program, from attending mandatory and breakout sessions to enjoying our after hours social events beginning at 4:30 p.m. today.

We're passionate about welcoming and supporting our international students at Rutgers. You bring with you so many new ideas, talents, and perspectives that contribute richly to the Rutgers community.

We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

**Urmi Otiv**

**Director, Rutgers Global-International  
Student and Scholar Services**

## **ABOUT RUTGERS GLOBAL**

Rutgers Global is comprised of several offices that work to define and attain the university's internationalization priorities and provide you with the resources and services you need including international student and scholar services, academic support for international students, study abroad programming, Peace Corps recruitment and advising, on-campus global programming, international partnership facilitation, funding for international research, China initiatives, and much more. Visit us at [global.rutgers.edu](http://global.rutgers.edu) to learn more about how we engage and advance the university's global mission.

## **KEY STAFF**

### **Rutgers Global–International Student and Scholar Services (New Brunswick)**

Urmi Otiv, Director

Mohini Mukherjee, Associate Director for Student Services

Asenath Dande, Associate Director for Faculty and Scholar Services

Lauren Tong, Assistant Director for Student Services

Katsumi Kishida, Assistant Director for Programming

Eirinn Jones, Insurance and Accounting Coordinator

Susan Maldonado, SEVIS Compliance Coordinator

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Carol Long, Front Office Coordinator

## **International Student Services**

Martha Baillargeon, International Student Adviser

Trevor Cook, International Student Adviser

Melaina Fraboni, International Student Coordinator

James Jones, International Student Adviser

Carissa McCarthy, Short-term Student Adviser

Jinling Quan, International Student Adviser

Erica Sewell, International Student Coordinator

Greg Costalas, Sponsored Student Adviser

## **International Scholar Services**

Gina Antonatos, Administrative Assistant

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## **Rutgers Global–International Student and Scholar Services (Newark)**

Lorraine Luciano-McKeon, Senior Coordinator

Vanessa Mayton, Secretary

Stephanie Otte, Coordinator

## **Rutgers Global–International Academic Support**

Anu Gupta, Assistant Dean for International Academic Support

# WELCOME SESSIONS

Welcome to Rutgers! Please review the orientation schedule carefully.

## **Breakfast**

**8:30–9:00 a.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room**

Enjoy a light breakfast, coffee, and tea with fellow new students to get started with the busy day.

## **Welcome and Introduction**

**9:00–10:00 a.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room**

Eugene T. Murphy, Ph.D., associate vice president for international and global affairs, welcomes new students and introduces staff and volunteers. We will explain some important Rutgers resources and review the orientation schedule and information in orientation packets.

## **Staying in Legal Status**

**10:00–11:15 a.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room**

Learn about work, study, and travel for international students; legal obligations; and benefits of the F-1/J-1 status. Bring your passport, I-20 or DS-2019, and job offer letter (if any). Do not leave without getting your International Payroll Form signed.

## **Safety on Campus**

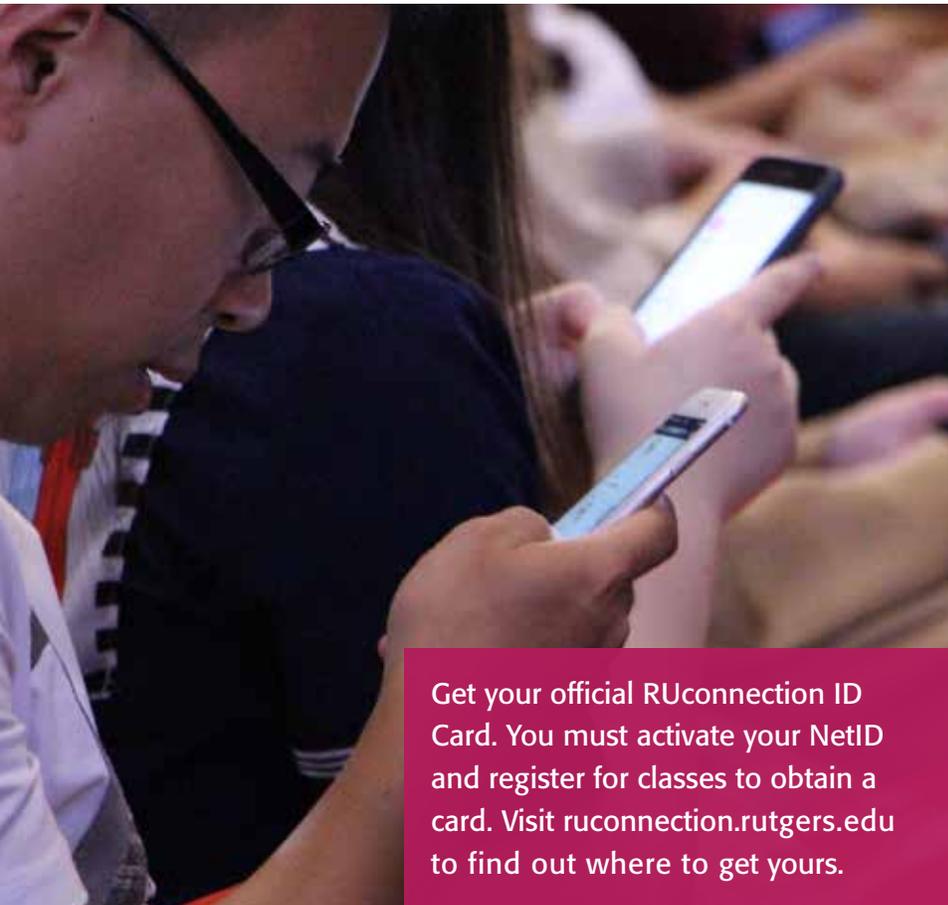
**11:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room**

Presented by Rutgers University Police Department, learn about the role of university police, campus safety, crisis situations, and resources and services for students.

## **Lunch**

**12:00–1:00 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room**

Join Rutgers Global staff for an informal luncheon. Meet and chat with our orientation volunteers—who are current Rutgers students—as well as some of our campus partners.



Get your official RUconnection ID Card. You must activate your NetID and register for classes to obtain a card. Visit [ruconnection.rutgers.edu](http://ruconnection.rutgers.edu) to find out where to get yours.

# MANDATORY AND BREAKOUT SESSIONS

## **RESOURCE EXHIBIT (1:00–4:00 p.m.)**

College Ave Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Explore information at our international student resource exhibit between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m.

## **MANDATORY SESSIONS (1:15 p.m.)**

### **Undergraduate Students: Academic Success and Academic Integrity**

1:15–2:15 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

This session provides an introduction to academic expectations and academic integrity policies at Rutgers and how to navigate curricular and co-curricular resources. Topics include the meaning of “schools” within the university; academic requirements such as core, major, and minor; classroom participation; communication with faculty/TAs; group assignments and course work, and more.

### **Graduate Students: Academic Success and Academic Integrity**

1:15–2:15 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Room 411

Hosted by the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistants Program (Grad ELL & ITA), the workshop reviews Rutgers University’s principles of academic integrity and academic norms, expectations, responsibilities, rights and resources. Students will be presented with resources and support tips to enhance their academic experience at Rutgers.

## **BREAKOUT SESSION I (2:30 p.m.)**

### **Health and Wellness at Rutgers**

2:30–3:15 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Learn how to maintain your health and wellness at Rutgers and discuss topics that contribute to positive health behaviors.

### **Campus Bus Tour I**

2:30–3:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Tour the Rutgers–New Brunswick campuses with experienced guides.

## **BREAKOUT SESSION II (3:30 p.m.)**

### **Campus Bus Tour II**

3:30–4:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Tour the Rutgers–New Brunswick campuses with experienced guides.

### **Check-in Support**

3:30–4:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

F-1 and J-1 students are required by U.S. immigration regulations to complete a check-in procedure at their host institutions. You will need to submit an online form to complete this process. Please note that your record cannot be activated in the SEVIS database until this process is completed. You can access the form through our online student portal, [RGLOBAL](#). If you have any questions or need assistance, our staff and expert orientation volunteers will be available to guide during this session. Remember to bring with you:

- Passport
- U.S. visa (Canadians will not have a visa)
- DS-2019 or I-20 issued by Rutgers
- I-94 record (access this document at U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s website)

## FUN AND GAMES

### **AFTER HOURS FUN (4:30 p.m.)**

#### **Social Hour with the International Friendship Program**

4:30–5:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Get involved with the International Friendship Program (IFP), a program that brings together international students with domestic students and the greater Rutgers community. IFP promotes cross-cultural engagement and friendship! Join us for pizza, learn about upcoming IFP events, and participate in a fun trivia game! To learn more about our upcoming events, “like” us on [facebook.com/RutgersIFP](https://www.facebook.com/RutgersIFP) or contact [cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu](mailto:cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu) to join our email list.

#### **Shopping Shuttle to the Bridgewater Promenade**

5:30–8:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room

Our arranged shuttle will take you to an outdoor shopping area with stores including Bed, Bath, & Beyond, Target, Old Navy, Marshalls, and more for your living essentials. Please see a Rutgers Global staff member to sign up for the shopping trip.



Unwind after a busy day at the Social Hour at 4:30 p.m. Play some games, enjoy some food, and snag some special prizes.

## UPCOMING EVENTS January and February 2018

### **IFP Spring Welcome (Back) Party and Speed Friending Event**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19 • 5:00–7:00 p.m.

Livingston Student Center, Livingston Hall

Current IFP members welcome new students to Rutgers at this event. Join us in a fast-paced speed friending activity—a fun way to meet people from around the world. To learn more about our upcoming events, “like” us on Facebook at [facebook.com/RutgersIFP](https://facebook.com/RutgersIFP) or contact [cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu](mailto:cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu) to join our email list.

### **American Football 101**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 • 4:00–6:00 p.m.

Entrance to Rutgers High Point Solutions Stadium, Busch Campus

Learn the history and rules of American football, get your game notes for the upcoming sports event of the year—Super Bowl—and get VIP backstage access to the state of the art Rutgers High Point Solutions Stadium, the home of the Scarlet Knights!

### **IFP Conversation Partners Program Match Party**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1 • 5:00–6:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center, The Cove

Are you interested in IFP’s Conversation Partners Program? This is the perfect opportunity to learn more and possibly meet your “match.” We’ll also discuss tips and tricks for new partners and info on upcoming Conversation Partners Program events! To learn more about our upcoming events, “like” us on Facebook at [facebook.com/RutgersIFP](https://facebook.com/RutgersIFP) or contact [cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu](mailto:cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu) to join our email list.

### **2018 Study Abroad Fair**

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 • 4:00–7:00 p.m.

Livingston Student Center, Livingston Hall

Rutgers has been running study abroad programs since the 1960s, and since then, thousands of

Who knows who you’ll meet? You’ll rotate around the room and engage in short conversations with everyone, making some new friends in the process. Join us at our annual IFP Spring Welcome (Back) Party and Speed Friending event on January 19 at 5:00 p.m.



students have taken advantage of these life-changing cultural and social learning experiences. Come to our Spring 2018 Study Abroad Fair to find out more about our program offerings and opportunities. There will be food, music, and giveaways—including application fee waivers and scholarships—so don’t miss out!

### **Finding an On-Campus Job as an International Student**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 • 10:00–11:00 a.m.

Gateway Transit Village, 4th Floor Seminar Room

Learn tips and tricks to find an on-campus job, improve your resume, and hone your interview skills. Students will also learn important information on maintaining their F or J status while working on-campus.

# DINING OPTIONS

Listed below are some delicious food options for orientation day and the spring semester. Hours subject to change. For more, visit [food.rutgers.edu](http://food.rutgers.edu).

## THE PLAZA LIVINGSTON CAMPUS

### Kilmer's Market

Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
848-445-0106

### Qdoba (Mexican food)

Monday–Friday, 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
732-839-2024

### 16 Handles (Frozen yogurt)

Monday–Sunday, 12:00–11:30 p.m.  
732-369-0800

### Hoja (Chinese food)

Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
732-463-0800

### Henry's Diner

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
848-445-3232

### Starbucks

Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.  
848-445-7239

## LIVINGSTON STUDENT CENTER

### Rock Café

Monday–Thursday, 8:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
Friday, 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

### Dunkin' Donuts

Monday–Thursday, 7:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Friday, 7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

### Sbarro

Monday–Friday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 3:00 p.m.–10:00 p.m.

## DOUGLASS STUDENT CENTER

### Red Pine Pizzeria

Monday–Friday, 10:30 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 12:00–10:00 p.m.

### Dunkin' Donuts

Monday–Thursday, 7:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.  
Friday, 7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

## BUSCH CAMPUS CENTER

### Moe's Southwest Grill (Mexican food)

Monday–Friday, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
Saturday, 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
732-463-0100

### Gerlanda's Pizza and Café

Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.  
732-463-1616

### Szechwan Ichiban (Asian)

Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
732-463-8880

## COLLEGE AVENUE STUDENT CENTER

### Gerlanda's Pizza and Café

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
732-846-9375

### King Pita (Middle Eastern)

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  
732-846-9375

### Subway

Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–Midnight  
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–Midnight  
732-296-1122

**Currito's Burritos (Mexican-Asian fusion)**

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–Midnight

Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–Midnight

732-640-2222

**Wendy's**

Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–Midnight

Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–Midnight

732-545-5545

**Panera Bread**

Monday–Sunday, 7:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

**THE YARD ON COLLEGE AVENUE****Bella's Burger Shack**

Monday–Saturday, 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Sunday, 12:00–8:00 p.m.

**Honeygrow**

Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

**Jersey Mike's**

Sunday–Thursday, 10:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

**Krispy Pizza**

Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

**RU Hungry**

Open 24 hours

**Scarlet Sweets**

Monday–Sunday, 8:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

**Surf Taco**

Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

**DINING HALLS****Brower Commons (College Avenue Campus)**

Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday, 9:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

**Busch Dining Hall**

Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday, 9:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

**Livingston Dining Hall**

Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday, 9:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

**Neilson Dining Hall (Cook/Douglass Campus)**

Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

Saturday–Sunday, 9:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.



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