**kudos: a selection of recent awards and honors received by Rutgers University-Newark faculty, alumni, and staff**


**Nabil Adam**, vice chancellor for research and collaborations, Office of the Chancellor, and professor, Department of Management Science and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, co-authored “Preserving Privacy in Collaborative Business Process Composition,” which received the best paper award from the 12th International Conference on Security and Cryptography (SECRYPT). [more]


**Davine Armstrong**, research laboratory manager, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Pupil Response to Threat in Trauma-Exposed Individuals With or Without PTSD,” published in *Journal of Traumatic Stress* (Vol. 28, Issue 4, 2015). [more]

Jennifer Austin, associate professor and chair, Department of Spanish and Portuguese Studies, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, co-authored *Bilingualism in the Spanish-Speaking World: Linguistic and Cognitive Perspectives* (Cambridge University Press, 2015).

Valerio Bacak, assistant professor, School of Criminal Justice, co-authored “Orange is Still Pink: Mental Illness, Gender Roles, and Physical Victimization in Prisons,” published in *Society and Mental Health* (online September 28, 2015). [more](#)


Marc Berson, alumnus, Rutgers Law School, received a Garden State Seeds of Hope Award from the *New Jersey Monthly* for the work of his nonprofit organization, Opportunity Project, which provides services to individuals with traumatic brain injuries. [more](#)

Amy Bitterman, legal analysis, writing and research instructor, Rutgers Law School, received a “Special Mention” in the 2015 Pushcart Prize Anthology for “Breeding


**Gary Branning**, adjunct professor, Rutgers Business School, and guest lecturer, the Blanche and Irwin Lerner Center for Pharmaceutical Management Studies, joined the Editorial Board of *American Health & Drug Benefits*. He also wrote “Once-Fatal Conditions Have Become Chronic: Early Trends in the FDA’s 2015 Approvals,” published in *American Health & Drug Benefits* (Vol. 8, Special Feature, March 2015). more


**Nancy Cantor**, chancellor, Office of the Chancellor, is the recipient of the 2016 Zemsky Medal awarded by the Executive Doctorate in Higher Education Management of the Graduate School of Education at the University of Pennsylvania. The Zemsky Medal recognizes “individuals whose leadership in higher education has resulted in transformational change in colleges and universities.”

Michele Cascardi, visiting scholar, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Pupil Response to Threat in Trauma-Exposed Individuals With or Without PTSD,” published in *Journal of Traumatic Stress* (Vol. 28, Issue 4, 2015).


Aldo Civico, assistant professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, authored *The Para-State: An Ethnography of Colombia’s Death Squads* (University of California Press, 2015).


Ira Cohen, associate professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, wrote *Solitary Action: Acting on Our Own in Everyday Life* (Oxford University Press, 2015).

Jean-Marc Coicaud, professor, Rutgers Law School, and professor and director, Division of Global Affairs, accepted the Academia Europaea’s invitation to join its Social Sciences Section.


Adriana Cuervo, associate director, Institute of Jazz Studies, authored “The Things We Keep:

**Sarah Dadush**, assistant professor, Rutgers Law School, authored “Regulating Social Finance: Can Social Stock Exchanges Meet the Challenge?” published in the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of International Law* (Vol. 37, Issue 1, 2015). more


**Jon Dubin**, professor and associate dean for clinical education, Rutgers Law School, co-authored *Social Security Disability: Law and Procedure in Federal Court* (Thomson Reuters, 2016). Dubin also serves as a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance.

**Tashni-Ann Dubroy**, alumna, Rutgers Business School, serves as president of Shaw University, effective as of August 1, 2015. more

**Jacob Duijnhouwer**, research associate, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Evidence and Counterevidence in Motion Perception,” published in *Cerebral Cortex* (online October 3, 2015). more

**Peter Englot**, senior vice chancellor for public affairs and chief of staff, Office of the Chancellor, joined the Board of Directors of the Newark Arts Council and the Board of Directors of the Greater Newark Convention and Visitor Bureau.

**Robin Gaby Fisher**, assistant professor, Department of Arts, Culture and Media, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, co-authored *Choosing Hope: Moving Forward from Life’s Darkest Hours* (G.P. Putnam’s Sons, 2015).

**Bonnie Fong**, physical science librarian and head, emerging technologies, John Cotton Dana Library, co-authored “Embedded Data

Alexander Gates, professor, Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, is principal investigator for the Garden State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation program, which The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics named a “Bright Spot in Hispanic Education.” more


Mark Gluck, professor, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Deficits in Hippocampal-dependent Transfer Generalization Learning Accompany Synaptic Dysfunction in a Mouse Model of Amyloidosis,” published in Hippocampus (online September 29, 2015); and “The Influence of Trial Order on Learning from Reward vs. Punishment in a Probabilistic Categorization Task: Experimental and Computational Analyses,” published in Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience (Vol. 9, 2015). more

Paul Goldsworthy, assistant professor, Department of Supply Chain Management, Rutgers Business School, recruited the 2015 winners of the Institute for Supply Management national case competition in Orlando, Florida. Diana Harriman, Sonali Shah, and Marchela Stancheva, all seniors majoring in supply chain management, brought the top prize to Rutgers for the second year in a row.


Kemal Gursoy, assistant professor, Department of Management Science and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, co-authored An Introduction to Probability and Statistics (Kendall Hunt Publishing Company, August 2015).

Jeremy Hall, associate professor, School of Public Affairs and Administration, served as a senior scholar at the Fourth International Young Scholars Workshop in Public Policy and Administration Research, hosted by the American Society for Public Administration.

Mahmud Hassan, professor, Department of Finance and Economics, and director of the MBA in Pharmaceutical Management Program, Rutgers Business School, organized the fourth annual biopharmaceutical case competition at Rutgers Business School. A team of five Rutgers Business School students – Bishnupriya Kar, Irene Mac, James Ma, Aneesh Vaze, and Kinshuk Saxena – took second place ahead of Yale, MIT, Wharton, UCLA and Georgetown.

Huixin He, associate professor, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, received the American Chemical Society’s Pro Bono Award for mentoring minority high-school students and encouraging them to pursue careers in chemistry. more


Marc Holzer, dean, School of Public Affairs and Administration, founded the Northeast Conference on Public Administration (NECoPA) in 2010, and in 2015, NECoPA named its doctoral paper award in Holzer’s honor.

David Jancsics, post-doctoral associate, School of Public Affairs and Administration, co-authored “From Planning to Market: A Framework for Cuba,” published in Bulletin of Latin American Research (online October 1, 2015). more

A. Van Jordan, Henry Rutgers University Professor, Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and MFA in Creative Writing Program, received the 2015 Lannan Award for Poetry. more

John Keene, associate professor, Department of African American and African Studies and Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, is the author of Counternarratives (New Directions, 2015), which made the following best lists: Library Journal, Flavorwire, New York Magazine’s "Vulture," Time Out New York, and Vanity Fair.

Leslie Kennedy, University Professor, School of Criminal Justice, co-authored “Vulnerability and Exposure to Crime: Applying Risk Terrain Modeling to the Study of Assault in Chicago,” published in Applied Spatial Analysis and Policy (online August 27, 2015). more


Bart Krekelberg, professor and associate director, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Evidence and Counterevidence in Motion Perception,” published in Cerebral Cortex (online October 3, 2015). more


Daniel Levin, professor, Department of Management and Global Business, Rutgers Business School, co-authored “Reconnection Choices: Selecting the Most Valuable (vs. Most Preferred) Dormant Ties,” published in Organization Science (Vol. 26, Issue 5, 2015); and

Jan Ellen Lewis, dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, is president of the Society of Historians of the Early American Republic.


Jenny Lockard, assistant professor, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, received a 2015 Early CAREER Award from the National Science Foundation.

Peter Loeb, professor, Department of Economics, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, received the Distinguished Member Award for 2015 from the Transportation and Public Utilities Group of the American Economic Association.

Jack Lynch, professor, Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, is co-editor of The Encyclopedia of British Literature 1660-1789 (Wiley-Blackwell, 2015). Lynch also was elected as a fellow of the Royal Historical Society in the United Kingdom.


Joel Miller, associate professor, School of Criminal Justice, co-authored “Indirect Effects of Police Searches on Community Attitudes to the Police: Resentment or Reassurance?” published in The British Journal of Criminology (online August 5, 2015).


Dan Palmon, professor and department chair, Department of Accounting and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, co-authored "Audit Quality: A Cross-National Comparison of Audit Regulatory Regimes," published in the *Journal of Accounting, Auditing & Finance* (Vol. 29, No. 1, 2014), for which he received a Bright Idea Award from the New Jersey Policy Research Organization Foundation. [more](#)


Gohar Petrossian, alumnus, School of Criminal Justice, co-authored “Factors Affecting Crab and Lobster Species Subject to IUU Fishing,” published in *Ocean & Coastal Management* (Vol. 106, 2015). [more](#)

Jayne Anne Phillips, professor, Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and MFA in Creative Writing Program, was named a Rutgers University Board of Governors Professor. [more](#)

Stephen Pires, alumnus, School of Criminal Justice, co-authored “Factors Affecting Crab and Lobster Species Subject to IUU Fishing,” published in *Ocean & Coastal Management* (Vol. 106, 2015). [more](#)

Arthur Powell, professor, Department of Urban Studies, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, authored Métodos de Pesquisa em Educação Matemática - Usando Escrita, Vídeo e Internet (Mercado De Letras, 2015).


Simon Reich, professor, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, co-authored “The Strategy of Sponsorship,” published in Survival: Global Politics and Strategy (Vol. 57, No. 5, 2015). Also, the Ford Institute for Human Security at the University of Pittsburgh created an annual award in Reich’s name, “Simon Reich Human Security Research Award,” for the best research paper by a graduate student on a human security topic.

Norma Riccucci, Board of Governors Distinguished Professor, School of Public Affairs and Administration, delivered the keynote address, “The Relevancy of Public Personnel Management and Policy in Modern Times,” at the 11th Transatlantic Dialogue in Boston, Massachusetts.


Luis Rivera, assistant professor, Department of Psychology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, co-authored “Criminal Justice System Involvement and Gender Stereotypes: Consequences and Implications for Women’s Implicit and Explicit Criminal Identities,” published in the Albany Law Review (Vol. 78, Issue 3, 2015).

Mary Rizzo, assistant professor, Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, wrote Class Acts: Young Men and the Rise of Lifestyle (University of Nevada Press, 2015).
Jeffrey Robinson, associate professor, Department of Management and Global Business, Rutgers Business School, sponsored Hashir Qazi’s entry into the Real Elevator Pitch Competition hosted by St. Louis University John Cook School of Business. Qazi, a supply chain management major, garnered third place out of 20 competitors.


Alan Sadovnik, Board of Governors Distinguished Service Professor, School of Public Affairs and Administration, co-edited Sociology of Education: A Critical Reader (Third Edition) (Routledge, 2015).

Beryl Satter, professor, Department of History, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, accepted an appointment to serve as an Organization of American Historians Distinguished Lecturer for three years (2016-2019).

Glenn Shafer, University Professor and Board of Governors Professor, Department of Accounting and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, delivered the keynote address at a Thanksgiving Day conference at the French Embassy in Tokyo, Japan, which honored the 100th birthday of the late Japanese mathematician Kiyosi Ito. Ito’s work is fundamental to current methods in quantitative finance.

Patrick Shafto, associate professor, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, became Rutgers University-Newark’s first Henry Rutgers Term Chair (in data science).


Alan Shark, associate professor of practice, School of Public Affairs and Administration, edited The Digital Revolution in Higher Education: The How & Why the Internet of Everything is Changing Everything (CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2015).

Akhil Sharma, assistant professor, Department of English, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and MFA in Creative Writing Program, received the Folio Prize for his novel Family Life, which also made the New York Time’s “10 Best Books of the Year” list.

Lee Slater, professor, Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, was appointed a Henry Rutgers University Professor (in geophysics).
Michal Szostak, assistant professor, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, received a Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Enhancement Award from the Oak Ridge Associated Universities. more


Jaideep Vaidya, professor, Department of Management Science and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, earned recognition as an Association for Computing Machinery Distinguished Scientist. Vaidya also co-authored “Preserving Privacy in Collaborative Business Process Composition,” which received the best paper award from the 12th International Conference on Security and Cryptography (SECRYPT). more


Qiushi Wang, assistant professor, School of Public Affairs and Administration, co-authored “The Two Worlds of Municipal Bonds: Are Lower-Rated Bonds Punished More by Financial Crisis?” published in *Public Budgeting & Finance* (Vol. 34, Issue 1, 2014), which received the Jesse Burkhead Award in 2015.

Jessica Ware, assistant professor, Department of Biology, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, received a 2015 Early CAREER Award from the National Science Foundation. [more](#)

Judith Weis, professor emerita, Department of Biological Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, authored or co-authored the following chapters or articles: “Some Physiological Responses of Crustaceans to Toxicants,” published in *The Natural History of Crustacea* (Vol. 4: Physiology) (Oxford University Press, 2015); “Factors Affecting Crab and Lobster Species Subject to IUU Fishing,” published in *Ocean & Coastal Management* (Vol. 106, 2015); and “Is Urban Marsh Sustainability Compatible with the Clean Water Act?” published in the *Environmental Practice* (Vol. 17, Issue 1, 2015). Weis also accepted an appointment to serve a three-year term on the Ecosystems and Ocean Planning Advisory Committee of the Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council. [more](#)

Winnie Westcott, adjunct professor, Department of Accounting and Information Systems, Rutgers Business School, received the 2015 Educator of the Year Award from the American Woman’s Society of Certified Public Accountants. [more](#)


Harry Xenias, alumnus, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “Dopaminergic and Cholinergic Modulation of Striatal Tyrosine Hydroxylase Interneurons,” published in *Neuropharmacology* (Vol. 95, 2015).

Laszlo Zaborszky, professor, Center for Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience, co-authored “The Ventral Pallidum: Subregion-Specific Functional Anatomy and Roles in Motivated Behaviors,” published in Progress in Neurobiology (Vol. 130, 2015); and “Effects of Ncl. Basalis Meynert Volume on the Trail-Making-Test Are Restricted to the Left Hemisphere,” published in Brain and Behavior (online December 29, 2015). more

In Memoriam:

Ann Buchholtz, professor, Department of Management and Global Business, Rutgers Business School, died on September 14, 2015. She joined Rutgers Business School in 2010 and taught leadership and ethics. In August 2015, Buchholtz received the 2015 Sumner Marcus Award from the Academy of Management’s Social Issues in Management Division for her excellence in scholarship, teaching, and service. Also in 2015, Buchholtz coached a trio of MBA students who captured the inaugural BNY Mellon Social Finance Prize. She also guided 18 other MBA students to the Aspen Institute’s annual Business and Society International MBA Case Competition. Buchholtz contributed to Rutgers Business School as a scholar and a mentor. more

Kenneth E. Miller, first dean of the Graduate School, passed away on January 15, 2016. Miller taught in the Department of Political Science at Rutgers University–Newark from 1955 to 1993. He was the first chair of the department, serving in that capacity, on and off, for 16 years. He also served as the first dean of the Graduate School and the first director of the Political Science Graduate Program. He had a passion for teaching and coveted many long friendships with students and colleagues. more (Miller’s wife, Marilyn Miller, a retired assistant dean for academic affairs of Rutgers Law School in Newark, died on December 24, 2015.) more

Annamay T. Sheppard, Alfred Clapp Service Professor of Law Emerita, Rutgers Law School, passed away on December 30, 2015. Sheppard was a pioneer of legal clinical education who taught civil liberties, civil procedure, and criminal procedure at the law school until her retirement in 1999. She was the founding associate director of Newark’s first legal services program in 1966, the founder of the Rutgers Urban Legal Clinic in 1970, the first woman to teach in a Rutgers clinic, and Rutgers’ first primarily clinical professor to receive tenure. Sheppard taught in the Urban Legal Clinic, which she directed for five years, and in the Constitutional Litigation and Litigation and Women’s Rights Clinics. As the assistant administrator
of the Newark Legal Services Project from 1966–1969, she spearheaded the representation of more than 2,000 people arrested in the course of the Newark Rebellion during the summer of 1967. In 2011, the law school named its first Annamay Sheppard Scholar. The details of a memorial service in the spring for Sheppard will be announced. more

Alfreda P. Robinson, retired assistant dean, Rutgers Business School (RBS), passed away on January 14, 2016. Robinson served as assistant dean of student services at RBS from 1975-1997 and was director of financial aid at Douglass College from 1965-1975. She was a driving force behind the prestigious Edmund L. Houston – Alfreda P. Robinson Award, given to the minority student who graduated with the highest grade point average and entrepreneurial achievement. Considered a “guardian angel” by many, Robinson compassionately addressed the various needs of minority students to ensure their graduation from RBS. more

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