

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

While I cannot speak for every area, the streets of New Brunswick currently look like the halfpipe on a ski resort trick course... pretty rad. The snow brings out the inner child in all of us and seeing college students line the streets, sled, or build a Bernie Snowman proves that. And, yesterday, there was even a girl who came down the street on a pair of skis that, to the best of my knowledge, everybody in the area saw that morning. Something like that shows that snow days are special, and - despite my tiny Toyota Yaris being buried - that feeling of waking up to a fresh coat of snow for the past few mornings has been really nice. Similarly, the hot cup of coffee by the window makes all of those hours of digging in the near future worth it. Anyway, this snowstorm made history, so go make the most of it!

Once you're back, take a look at some of the upcoming events. Learn about some of the present and past Allstars in the BIPOC community at the upcoming Black Excellence Feast. Educate yourselves (even more) and take a constructive break from classes at Black History Month Jeopardy. Celebrate a great amongst the greats who was way ahead of his time at The Legacy of Paul Robeson. AI on your mind? Learn about the ethical dimension of constructing and implementing artificial intelligence at the Keynote Conversation on AI Ethics. Learn about the backbone of RU, the faculty, and their research towards a more inclusive academy at Access Week: Faculty Research Panel. Stop by the Careers in Law Panel to learn all about the transition from undergrad to law school. Take over our IG as an SASHP HIPster. Got something to say? Say it to our face with our new Newsletter Feedback Portal! Take a tour of the journey of February's alum, Julia Hutnik, in the most recent Honors Alumni Spotlight.

Warm Regards, Justin Confalone Your newsletter editor

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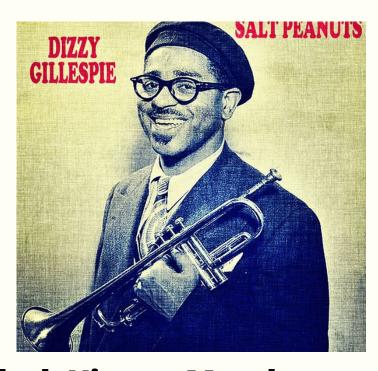
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#### **SASHP Newsletter**

**Black History Month Events** 

# **Rutgers University: Black Excellence Feast**

We all saw it over the summer, but the structural issues that the BIPOC community have endured are something that will ALWAYS be relevant. Black History Month gives us 28 days to especially appreciate the major contributions that the community has made and to reaffirm motivations for the future. Join **Black Lives Matter-Rutgers University** as they honor Black entrepreneurs, artists, and historical figures at their **Black Excellence Feast**. This event takes place next **Mon**, **Feb 8 at 8:30pm EST**, the event link will be announced soon here.



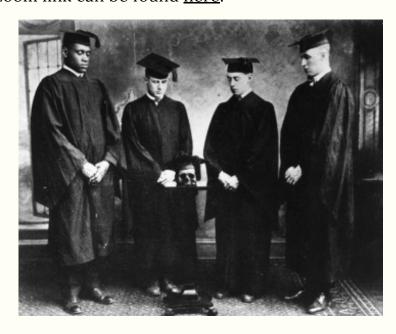
# JEOPARDY!

#### Black History Month Jeopardy Need a beneficial break from classes? Learn all

Need a beneficial break from classes? Learn all about the history of this month and the many leaders who helped the world get to this point at the upcoming **Black History Month Jeopardy**. Meet some friends, become well-informed, and even win the grand prize gift card. This event takes place next **Wed**, **Feb 10 at 8pm EST**. The zoom link can be found here.

# The Legacy of Paul Robeson

We've heard about him time and time again, know the numerous buildings named in his honor, and all learned something about our own journey through RU from **Rutgers Alumus Paul Robeson**. This event will highlight the legacy and contributions to our community from the legend as well as dive into what it means to be a renaissance man - a term we can all learn from. This event takes place next **Thu**, **Feb 11 at 8pm EST**. Join the zoom call here.



#### **SASHP Newsletter** Announcements

### **Keynote Conversation** on Al Ethics

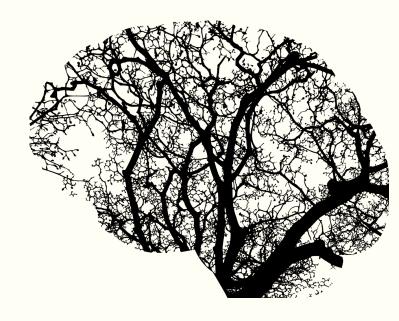
AJoin keynote speaker **Meredith Whittaker** as she discusses the current standing of AI technology and the ethical questions that it may raise. Whittaker is the co-founder and codirector of the AI Now Institute, Minderoo Research Professor at NYU, and the founder of Google's Open Research Group. This event takes place next Fri, Feb 12 at 12pm EST. Register <u>here</u>.





## **Rutgers: Careers in Law Panel**

I promise that it is not as scary as it sounds, so hear me out if this is a field you are considering! Settle down for an evening conversation with NYU Law School first-year Aaron Jaslove, Columbia Law School secondyear Anu Chugh, Rutgers School of Law second-year Nicoletta Eby, and Seton Hall School of Law third-year Anish Patel. This event takes place today, Feb 3 at 7:45pm EST, join the zoom call <u>here</u>.



### **Access Week: Faculty Research Panel**

Join various faculty from right here at RU as they share their research insights on making academic and professional spaces more equitable. This array of panelists, covering all major subjects, will highlight the expertise present at Rutgers as the institution works to create a more inclusive academy. This event takes place later this month on Feb, 16 at 11am **EST**. Pre-registration is required, so sign up here.



## SASHP Newsletter Media

## **SASHP HIPster Application**

It is finally that time of year again! Show off your RU spirit by doing a total, week-long takeover of the **SASHP Instagram**. Poll about study habits, show off your courses, or even tell followers about your day. HIPsters have full access to the IG page for a week and must apply by **Feb 5**. The application can be found <u>here</u>.





#### **Feedback Portal**

Portal is a bit too exciting of a word tbh, **BUT**, click <u>here</u> to fill out the brand new **Newsletter Feedback Form**. We want to know how the newsletter is being received, any critiques, some cool design ideas, new segments to add to vary up the stream of content, or anything else you feel worth mentioning!

#### Honors Alumni Spotlight: Julia Hutnik

RU '18 alumna **Julia Hutnik** is a former accounting and Spanish major, FIGS instructor, and member of the professional business fraternity Phi Chi Theta. More recently, she works as a senior analyst at **Vanguard** in **Global Financial Reporting** and is able to use her double major to work on Vanguard's first **Latin American Exchange Traded Fund** domiciled in Mexico. Find out more about Julia's wonderful journey <u>here</u>.





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