New Rutgers and Partner University Report Details the Lingering Effects of Superstorm Sandy

Superstorm Sandy continues to affect the lives of tens of thousands of New Jersey residents, in the form of unfinished repairs, disputed claims, and recurrent mold. These after-effects still linger for Sandy-impacted residents, and are associated with increased odds of residents experiencing mental health distress, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and depression. Read more.
Latino Initiative Launched at the School of Social Work

As of July 2014, there were an estimated 55 million Hispanics in the United States, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The Latino population is the fastest growing minority group in America, SO it is imperative that there be specially trained social workers who understand and are sensitive to Hispanic cultures.

SHIP Students receive summer assistance

On enrolling at Rutgers, Keith Dupree was little aware of the ventures that were ahead of him. Dupree, a former foster child, was not only able to reunite with his sister but also create a small family at Rutgers. A lot of this was possible through the Transitions for Youth Summer Housing and Internship Program (SHIP).

Professors offer interdisciplinary course on perinatal death

The death of an unborn baby or an infant is a parent’s worst fear, and after such a loss they look to not only physicians and nurses but also to experts from behavioral health disciplines such as social work to help them navigate the intense grieving process.
Rutgers MSW student wins NAADAC fellowship

Joshua Crick, a Masters in Social Work student, has won the National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (NAADAC) Minority Fellowship Program for Addiction Counselors award.

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Alumni Profile - Marjolein Zijdel

As a dance major at Rutgers, Marjolein Zijdel noticed that some of the students in her class were grappling with mental health issues and eating disorders. She presented her concerns to the faculty, eventually leading to the creation of a support group to counsel the students.

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Volunteer Career Counselors Needed

New Jersey has the second highest long-term unemployment rate in the country, with over 125,000 job seekers who have been out of work for over six months. Rutgers University's Heldrich Center for Workforce Development is launching the New Start Career Network (NSCN) to help. The NSCN is seeking volunteer career coaches and professionals with backgrounds in career counseling, recruiting, executive search, human resources, and related fields. We are looking for qualified and dedicated career coaches who are willing to donate their services and expertise to helping NJ long-term unemployed job seekers.

Read more for information or to volunteer >>

Good News from Faculty and Staff

Doug Behan and the Office of Continuing Education hosted a week-long study tour of Chinese social workers and social work students from varied regions of China. Classroom-based learning and visits to nonprofit agencies throughout NJ led to enlightening and meaningful cultural exchanges. The Office of Continuing Education also hosted twenty-one visitors from China on June 15th & 16th as part of the Executive Management of Philanthropy Program conducted by the China Philanthropy Research Institute at Beijing Normal University.

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