



# **Rutgers University-New Brunswick: Annual Report to the Senate**

Friday, January 23, 2015  
Richard L. Edwards, Ph.D.  
Chancellor

## Milestones

- 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as Land Grant Institution
- 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – GSAPP; NJ Folk Festival
- 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Aresty Undergraduate Research Symposium
- New Deans: Peter March, Wanda Blanchett, Lei Lei
- New Provost, Lily Young, and Vice Chancellor for Finance, Mary Lou Ortiz
- Record totals: 84,000 at Rutgers Day; \$622K at Dance Marathon
- Entry into Big Ten Conference
- *And while you were away on break ...*



## Quick Lane Bowl Rutgers 40, UNC 21



December 26

## Rutgers Beats 4<sup>th</sup>-ranked Wisconsin, 67-62



January 11

## Recognition for Rutgers–New Brunswick

- #33 – Center for World University Rankings
- #55 – *U.S. News & World Report's* Best Global Universities
- #4 – Military Times' Best for Vets College Rankings
- 7 Ph.D. Programs Ranked above 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile by Academic Analytics: Philosophy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology, Food Science, Social Work, Literatures in English, Physics and Astronomy
- 5 out of 5 stars – Campus Pride LGBT-Friendly Index
- Sen. Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization

## Faculty Awards

- Carnegie Foundation's NJ Professor of the Year – Darrin York
- Amer. Assn. for the Advancement of Sci. – Andrew Baker and Robert Bartynski
- American Academy of Microbiology – Donald Schaffner
- American Chemical Society – Kathryn Uhrich
- American Inst. For Medical and Biological Engineering – Tamara Minko
- Materials Research Society – Leonard Feldman
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics – Michael Vogelius
- American Crystallographic Association – Edward Arnold
- Crop Science Society of America – James A. Murphy
- Fulbright Grants – Kim Butler, Erik Lam, Martin Lin, Radha Jagannathan
- French Academy of Sciences' Grande Médaille – Joel L. Lebowitz
- Commander's Cross of the Order of the *Polonia Restituta* – Joanna Regulska
- Sloan Fellowships – John Paul Chou and Malin Pinsky
- Simons Fellowships – Christopher Woodward, Piers Coleman, David Vanderbilt
- Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship – Ousseina Alidou and Abena Busia
- Political Studies Assn's Lifetime Contribution to Political Studies – Susan Carroll

## Student Fellowships and Scholarships

- **Luce** – Benjamin Chin (1 of 18 in nation)
- **Mitchell** – Matthew Cortland (1 of 12 in nation)
- **Churchill** – David Kolchmeyer (1 of 14 in nation)
- **Soros** – Natalie Jesionka and Mike Alvarez (2 of 30 in nation)
  - No other university won all four awards in 2014
  
- **Goldwater** – Kaiser Loell, Alina Rashid, Asher Wasserman
  
- 21 Rutgers Students offered Fulbright Grants
- 9 Rutgers Students received NSF Graduate Research Fellowships
- 3 Rutgers Students received Critical Language Scholarships



## Student Fellowships Billboard – May 2014

Mike Alvarez RC'07  
SOROS FELLOW

Benjamin Chin SAS'14  
LUCE SCHOLAR

Matthew Cortland SAS'11  
MITCHELL SCHOLAR

Natalie Jesoinka DC'07  
SOROS FELLOW

David Kolchmeyer SAS'14  
CHURCHILL SCHOLAR

# 5 Stars for Rutgers

The only university this year with 5 exclusive national award winners

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## New Brunswick Enrollment



- More than 32,000 undergraduate students in Fall 2014
- More than 8,500 graduate students
- New first-year out-of-state, international students up 11%
- Top 1,000 first-year students:
  - SATs above 2100
  - Top 5% of their high school class
- First-year applications for Fall 2015:
  - Up almost 13% above last year
  - Nonresidents' applications up 25%



## **New Academic Programs**

- BFA in Digital Filmmaking
- BS in Health Administration
- MA in Political Science – Concentration in UN Studies
- MS in Health Outcomes, Policy and Economics
- MS, PhD in Kinesiology and Applied Physiology
- PhD in Higher Education

## New Initiatives

- New Brunswick Honors College
  - Academic Dean – Matt Matsuda
  - Administrative Dean – Paul Gilmore
- Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security
- Institute of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences
- Town-Gown Initiatives:
  - Start with Service
  - Expanded Campus Alerts

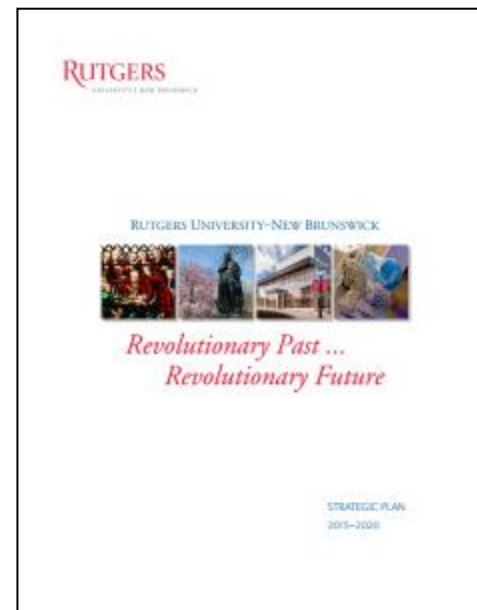


## Capital Projects and Physical Master Plan

- College Avenue Transformation:
  - Honors College – opening Fall 2015
  - Academic Building – completion 2016
  - Student Apartment Complex – completion 2016
  - Plus: Bishop Quads Residence Halls Renovation – completion 2015
  
- Institute for Food, Nutrition and Health – completion 2015
- Chemistry Building – completion 2016
- Global Village Learning Center (Douglass) – completion 2016
  
- Physical Master Plan – New Brunswick component
  - Student-focused
  - Reflects immense research and input from community
  - Presentation to Board of Governors in February

## New Brunswick Strategic Plan

- Completed Fall 2014
- More than 130 proposals received and considered
- Feedback to draft plan led to many improvements
- Approximately 40 initiatives included in final plan
- **Plan Highlights:**
  - Task Force on the Future of Rutgers University–New Brunswick
  - New Brunswick Academic Portal
  - Office of Faculty Development and Excellence
  - Enhanced Student Advising and First-Year Experience Review
  - Considering a Language Requirement
  - One Nutrition Initiative and other interdisciplinary research initiatives



## Supporting Our Students

- Largest section of New Brunswick Strategic Plan: Transforming the Student Experience
- Task forces to study international student, transfer student, and graduate student experience
- Improving student scheduling and time to degree
- Continue to develop career services infrastructure
- Support for graduate students in writing and career preparation
- Helping community cope with student deaths
  - Offering counseling for those who request it
  - Campuswide memorial for students in April; ringing Old Queens bell for each

## **Leadership Searches**

- Vice President for Information Services and University Librarian
- Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Academic Affairs
- Dean, School of Communication and Information
- Dean, School of Management and Labor Relations





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