I know, I know, just last week I was talking about the problem with merchandising the holiday season, BUT, if you can't beat them, join them. As much as the idea of it bothers me, some of the holiday products that these big retailers are putting out actually help get me in the spirit of the season, and there are three products in particular that I will eat any of my words for. The first and strongest of these is the Holiday Blend coffee at Wawa: dark roast with an awesome array of winter spices that exists in a category of its own. Another that has been a favorite for years is Sweetzels Spiced Wafers, which has earned a spot in my cabinet since childhood. The last and probably least is the Autumnal Harvest pasta sauce at Trader Joe's, which has made its way through my apartment at an alarming rate. Anyway, the lesson here is that in a perfect world brands wouldn't capitalize on the season as they do, but, since we’re stuck with it there is nothing wrong with partaking a little.

Speaking of partaking, check out some of these upcoming events/announcements. Satisfy the COVID travel bug and potentially start on your honors capstone at the Study Abroad Information Session. Learn valuable leadership skills by applying for the First Year Fellowship Emerging Leaders Program. Address the world’s issues from an important, new perspective by applying for the 1.5 credit seminar: “Futures: Another World Is Possible.” Make your future self proud by planning your next steps at the Passport to Student Success Event. Help decide this year’s summer reading book at the upcoming Summer Reading Committee Meeting.

Warm Regards,
Justin Confalone
Your newsletter editor
Study Abroad Information Session
Let’s face it, Covid-19 gave everybody a travel bug that refuses to go away. Satisfy your desire to travel AND your honors capstone (assuming you select the global option) by studying abroad. Where can you learn about all of the study abroad opportunities that Rutgers offers? Stop by the Study Abroad Information Session, taking place Fri, Nov 19 at 12pm ET, to answer all of your questions and more. Join the Zoom call here.

First Year Fellowship Emerging Leaders Program App is OPEN
The application for the First Year Fellowship Emerging Leaders Program is now open! The program is currently seeking 90-100 first-year and transfer students looking to learn leadership skills for their college experience and careers. Fellows will have the opportunity to participate in an 8-week, 1.5-credit leadership course in the spring semester. Interested students can apply here by Fri, Dec 10. Take advantage of the time and see if this will fit into your spring 2022 schedule!

Futures: Another World is Possible App is OPEN
The Institute for Research on Women invites all undergraduates to apply to its spring 2022 learning community, "Futures: Another World Is Possible." This in-person, 1.5 credit seminar considers the overwhelming problems facing the planet (from climate change and global pandemics to ongoing racial violence and political polarization), and imagines alternative possibilities for the future. The application can be found here.
Passport to Student Success Event

The Passport to Student Success Workshop is open to all SASHP students and will cover course registration, majors, minors, and departments at Rutgers. This workshop will take place on Fri, Nov 20 at 2pm. It’s hosted by the SASHP Peer Mentor Program. I’m including it this early because - even if it’s sometimes painful to do, this stuff is important to think about early. The zoom link is here.

Summer Reading Committee Meeting

2018 was The Best We Could Do, 2019 was The Leavers, 2020 is Tell Me Who You Are, and the next summer reading book is up to you! Join other SASHP students as part of the Summer Reading Committee tasked with the selection of next year’s reading selection for the third meeting this Fri, Nov 19 at 4pm EST. The link to join can be found here. Email Dean Sadowsky (at kathy.sadowsky@rutgers.edu) with any additional questions.

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