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Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

If I’m being honest, collectors have always been interesting to me. Regardless of what they collect, buying things off of eBay, endlessly searching thrift stores or antique shops, waiting for a product to come in stock, and sealing it all up for decades to come are all part of the experience. For example, my grandfather was a collector of coins and would do all of the above at least once a month. Each of his coins would be sealed in their own plastic cases which were put away in a larger plastic case that was hidden in his closet. Even my housemate has a huge binder full of cards in his room with the especially rare ones having a special binder of their own. Collecting is awesome, so figure out your interests and start looking!

Collect some experiences with these upcoming events/announcements. Decompress with some bubble tea and guided painting at the upcoming PMP only **Sip & Paint Event.** Represent the Honors Program at two of our biggest events of the year by **signing up to volunteer!** Stop by a Department of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies sponsored screening of **Period. End of Sentence (PEOS) Event**. Zoom into the next **Scarlet Speakers Presentation: Mirror, Mirror on the Wall.** Looking for one more presentation? Check out the upcoming talk: **Linguistics for Legal Purposes.** Show some love to this month’s **Honors Alumni Spotlight.**

***Dean Ackerman will be hosting drop-in honors advising tomorrow, Apr 5, in the Brett Lounge from 3 PM to 6 PM!***

***Rutgers is updating its cyber security measures! Any students who have not registered for Duo yet can do so [here].***

Warm Regards,
Justin Confalone
Your newsletter editor
Sip & Paint Event
Looking for an evening of bubble tea and painting with your mentor or mentee? Well, have we got the event for you! Peer mentor program students can stop by the upcoming Sip & Paint Event taking place Thurs, Apr 7 at 8:30 PM EST in the LSC Coffeehouse. During the event, mentors and mentees will follow an instructional painting tutorial on YouTube alongside their peers. Registration is required beforehand (as seats/materials are limited) and can be found here.

Request for Volunteers - Two Spring Events
Interested in volunteering with the Honors Program? We are currently looking for SASHP students to volunteer at two upcoming events: the SAS Open House Info Sessions for Rising Sophomores and the Rutgers Open House! The former will take place on both Tues, Apr 5 (2 PM EST via Zoom) and Wed, Apr 20 (11 AM EST via Zoom) while the latter will take place on Sat, Apr 9 at the Voorhees Mall on CAC (either 9 AM or 12 PM EST depending on the shift you chose). The Rutgers Open House requires a training session on Wed, Apr 6 at 11 AM EST via Zoom (will be recorded for those who cannot make either). Interested students can find more info here.

Period. End of Sentence (PEOS) Event
The Department of Women’s, Gender, and Sexuality Studies is sponsoring a screening of the Oscar-winning documentary: Period. End of Sentence (PEOS). The documentary addresses taboos surrounding menstruation, why it is a shameful experience for girls in many parts of the world, and efforts being made to fix that. This event takes place Tomorrow, Apr 5 at 12 PM EST via Zoom with a commentary by the filmmaker, Melissa Berton taking place right after at 12:45 PM EST. Join here (Meeting ID: 969 4865 3509 and Password: 355635).
Mirror, Mirror on the Wall
Join Distinguished Professor for the Public Dissemination of Mathematics at the National Museum of Mathematics in New York, Rutgers Professor Alex Kontorovich for the next Scarlet Speakers Event: Mirror, Mirror on the Wall. Professor Kontorovich will discuss the rich history of mirrors and reflections in mathematics and where research on them is today. This event takes place Thurs, Apr 7 at 12 PM EST via Zoom. Register here.

Linguistics for Legal Purposes
Three incredible events in a row is pretty awesome, right? Join the President of the Linguistic Society of America, Dr. John Baugh for an upcoming presentation on Linguistics for Legal Purposes. This presentation describes various ways in which linguistics can be used for legal purposes: including a court case that launched the field of forensic linguistics, a linguistic analysis of housing discrimination, and how linguistics were used in a work-related class-action lawsuit. Registration is required for this in-person event, taking place Fri, Apr 8 at 3 PM EST in Alexander Library, Room 403. Register here.

April/May Honors Spotlight
This month’s Honors Alumni Spotlight is '97 alum, Dean Iris Zipkin. After graduating from Rutgers with a degree in psychology, Dean Zipkin went on to work for a publishing company in Manhattan. After deciding that she wanted a career helping others, she made the pivot to Rutgers, where she now works as Assistant Dean and Director of First-Year Advising in the School of Arts and Sciences. Here, she is able to use her knowledge of being a Rutgers student to provide the best possible advice. Read the rest of Dean Zipkin’s story here.