Wednesday, May 4, 2022 (May the Fourth be with you!)

Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

I almost never re-watch any episode in a series that marks a main character leaving the show (think Michael Scott’s iconic exit from The Office). In fact, I often avoid them at all costs, panic-exiting from my binge-watching to avoid the inevitable melancholy of witnessing a much-loved character take their final bow. Similar to these farewell episodes, I think most people would agree that the end of the spring semester is always just a tad bittersweet. Between the relief of surviving or (better yet) nailing your courses, the excitement of summer plans swiftly coming into focus and closer to fruition, and the promise of longer, sunnier days ahead, it’s undoubtedly a time of celebration. However, it’s also a time when change is waiting around just about every corner. For some of us, it’s a simple shift from one season to the next, sometimes with the added twist of stepping up to inherit a role from a departing cast-mate (as I am from my amazing predecessor, Justin Confalone). For others, these last few days in the semester are, truly, the raw material for individual farewell episodes. Whether you are graduating and moving on to your post-Rutgers spin-off or are gearing up for a new season in the SASHP, there are always new, exciting prospects ahead and countless opportunities for you to make that next episode look however you want. With that being said, here are a few final things to keep on your radar as we close out the spring 2022 semester!

Help give a proper send-off to a mainstay and all-around leader of the SASHP cast, Jusleen Basra, by checking out the most recent Senior Spotlight.

Warm Regards (it’s crazy that I get to write this now!),
Noa DeOcampo
Your (new) Newsletter Editor

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Help us bid farewell to a central figure in the SASHP cast of characters by checking out the most recent Senior Spotlight: Jusleen Basra! After years of contributing to the SASHP through her work as a Peer Mentor, Honors Ambassador, Advisory Board Member, and as the Director of Media, no less, Jusleen will be graduating with a major in Cultural Anthropology and a minor in English. Her post-Rutgers plans include traveling, exploring the outdoors, and spending quality time with her friends and family. Read more about Jusleen's experience in the SASHP here!

Have a Wonderful, Restful Break!

There's honestly not that many announcements to make this close to the end of the semester, so I'll fill in the space by bidding you all a wonderful break! I hope you all take this time to get some much-deserved R&R! A special thank you to everyone in the honors community for constantly keeping spirits lifted, heads held high, and eyes pointed towards the future during the entirety of this academic year. It's certainly been one to remember, and I'm looking forward to writing more to you all in the fall!