Monday, April 2, 2018
Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

"Oklahoma teachers to walk out over pay." “China hits the US with tariffs on $3 billion of exports.” “Anchors required to read script bashing ‘fake’ news.” “Mark Zuckerberg hits back at Apple CEO.” “President targets Mexico and Democrats in Twitter rant.” Headlines can be scary as of late, but it’s important to understand them and why they are the way they are. That’s why we’re in school: to enable ourselves to develop our own understanding of the world. We do this with classwork, in discussions with our friends and fellow classmates, and through our chosen extracurriculars we chose to partake in. This week there are a lot of opportunities to think critically about news and communication, as well as some ways to take a much-needed break from them.

Hear about news media from someone who helps make it with Lawrence O’Donnell at the Open Mind Lecture this Friday. Work on communicating your own news to the world through artistic expression by seeing Time Based Art by the Artists’ Collective tonight or fine-tuning your work at their writing workshop tomorrow. See the potential consequences of being less than transparent in The Importance of Being Earnest. Consume some honors news like Senior and Alumni Spotlights on our . If you find yourself needing a break from those and the headlines, be sure to head over to the Peer Mentors’ Succulents and Scheduling event to prune away the worries of day-to-day life and make something beautiful. And if the happenings still got you down, find out about what there is to celebrate in a blog post about spring festivals on the SASHP Blog linked here. No matter what, remember that just as much as keeping with the headlines, you need to know what they mean. Take the time now to develop those skills, because you never know what tomorrow will bring.

Take a moment and enjoy the day, Kim Peterman and Julianna Rossano
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Keep Up with Rutgers News at RU-TV
Are you looking for an easy way to stay connected with Rutgers? Try incorporating an episode of Wake Up Rutgers into your morning routine. Or, see what other student-produced programs run on RU-TV at https://www.youtube.com/user/rutv.
Lawrence O’Donnell Open Mind Lecture:
News Media in the Age of Trump
Lawrence O’Donnell, host of The Last Word with Lawrence O’Donnell on MSNBC, will be speaking at Rutgers as part of the Open Mind Lecture Series on Friday, April 6 at 4:30 PM in Trayes Hall. Be sure to check out this signature honors event. Find out more about the event on Facebook.

Succulents and Scheduling
Even if you don’t have a green thumb, succulents make a beautiful addition to any bedroom or apartment. Come de-stress, pot some plants, and ask questions about registration. The event will be held in the McCormick Lounge on April 2 at 9:30 PM.
One Night Only: The Importance of Being Earnest

So who is Earnest anyway? Find out and satisfy your craving for performance, comedy, and cookies by attending a special production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*. A collaboration between the Artists’ Collective and Basement Shakes, the show will be in the Parlor at 35 College Ave on April 5 at 7 PM. Take a break and enjoy this trivial comedy for serious people.

Artists’ Collective Events

Want to explore your passion for the arts? The Artists’ Collective will be hosting a screening of *Time-Based Art from Rutgers and TCNJ* at 7-8:30 PM on April 2 at the SASHP Office (35 College Ave). The screening will showcase time-based works from 8 different students in the form of video art, performance and installation documentations, and more. If you want to develop your own creative work, come to the next writing workshop tomorrow April 3 at 8-10 PM at the SASHP Office.
Honors Spotlights
Read about two exceptional seniors in our latest Senior Spotlights: Shannon Gilbert, who used her time at Rutgers to explore her passion for health administration and classics, and Sanjana Goyal, who found fun and success in finance. Go to the SASHP blog to learn more.

Alumni Spotlight
Here at the SASHP, we’re always proud to see our alumni make great strides in their lives after Rutgers. Look no further than our website to learn about Matthew Cortland, now working at a startup in Ireland. He has a passion for art history and his time working for Teach For Life inspired him to make low-level reading content accessible to adult and struggling readers.

Advising Tip of the Week
As those deadlines start piling up, be sure to plan ahead so you can stay on top of your classwork. Don’t wait until the last minute, get it done now.