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Dear SAS Honors Program Students,

Come on, grab your friends! Whether you’re just starting out or finishing up your last few semesters, this year will be filled with adventures if you know where to look. To all incoming students, welcome! To all continuing students, welcome back! Find your favorite scenic route to class, join a club and learn a new skill, or try a new restaurant or dining hall. College is no ordinary experience, but you can turn everyday into an extraordinary one.

Here are some adventures coming up. Peer mentors and mentees: meet up again at the Peer Mentor Kick-Off! Join the SASHP in giving back to your community by volunteering for the Scarlet Day of Service. Help shape the evaluation of teaching at Rutgers by participating in the SIRS Focus Group. Meet the new staff at 35 College Ave, Academic Dean Keeton and Assistant Dean Sánchez Gómez.

From all of us here at the SASHP, enjoy the first day of classes!

With warmest regards,
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Stay on Top of Deadlines
Here at Rutgers, things move quickly. If you need help with your classes, meet with an academic advisor/advising dean. The last day to add a class is Sept 11.
Peer Mentor Kick-Off
Looking to bond with your peer mentor or mentee? Look no further! Start the fall semester with the Peer Mentor Kick-Off! Join other mentors and mentees for pizza, ice cream, arcade games, t-shirts, and prizes. Sept 5, 4 - 6 PM at Livingston Student Center RutgersZone.

Scarlet Day of Service
Start your semester by giving back to your community! Join the SASHP in giving back to your community on Sept 28, sponsored by the Peer Mentor program. Sign up to join the "SASHP Service Team" with you Peer Mentor/Mentee and other SASHP students! Volunteers will receive free breakfast and lunch, a Scarlet Day of Service t-shirt, and SASHP swag! Click here to register (deadline Sept 11).

SIRS Focus Group
Help shape the evaluation of teaching at Rutgers! SAS is revising the Student Instructional Rating Survey (SIRS) questionnaire and needs your input. Undergrad SAS students who've completed at least one semester at Rutgers are eligible to apply. If selected and participate, you'll receive a $25 RU Express gift card. Choose from these focus group times: Sept 16 from 10:20 - 11:40 AM (Busch), Sept 17 from 11:30 AM - 12:50 PM (College Ave), Sept 18 from 2:15 - 3:35 PM (Cook/Douglass). To register, click here.

For a full calendar of events, visit www.sashonors.rutgers.edu
MEET THE NEW DEANS!

Dean Charles Keeton
Dean Keeton is the Academic Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences Honors Program and a professor of physics & astronomy. He’s published three books and more than a hundred research papers in astrophysics. Check out his books! He also received awards for both research and teaching from Rutgers, and in 2010 he received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers from President Obama. Schedule an appointment and say hello! His bio is on the honors website.

Assistant Dean Cynthia Sánchez Gómez
Welcome Dean Sánchez Gómez, assistant dean for student engagement. She is a proud RU alumna who joins us from a previous role at Douglass Residential College. She will offer academic advising, support honors community-building initiatives, and advise the Artists Collective. She starts during the first week of the semester.

For a full list of opportunities, click here.

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