As I am currently balancing several different essays (and I’m sure this struggle is shared), I wanted to talk about escapism and the practical benefits of using it in moderation. When work piles up and there is not much movement between places (pandemic and all), our brains tend to lose their creative/analytical juice far more quickly. A lot of students operate under the ideology that ‘workaholic equals good student’ and I have to say - as one workaholic to another - spending too much time on classwork has its drawbacks. Watching something on Netflix, cooking a nice lunch, or even calling a friend for 20 minutes in between work sessions is important, and will allow you to come back to it feeling refreshed.

Let yourself relax in the upcoming weeks with some of these events/announcements. Later today, the Artists’ Collective is hosting a Fanfiction Night. Get on the ground experience through the Center for Youth Political Participation (Eagleton) RU Ready Internship program. Internship too much right now? Apply for the Darien Civic Engagement Project. Understand your future a little better by stopping by the ongoing Major, Minor, and Career Readiness Fair. Help make the difficulty of financing college a little easier while doing some good by applying to the PBK Scholarship. See (and maybe follow) the winners of this year’s SASHP Halloween Contest. Get some eyes on your unique talent through the talent spotlight. Have Spotify? Tune into the new SASHP Radio. Check out the new blog post against big corporations “Why You Should Stop Buying Books From Amazon + What You Should Do Instead”.

Warm Regards,
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Your newsletter editor
Artists Collective Fanfiction Night

Have a favorite book/show/movie that didn’t quite have the twists and turns you were looking for? Make them yourself! Today, Nov 11 at 7pm EST, the Artists Collective is hosting a Fanfiction Workshop Night. This event will cover the basics of fanfiction, how to navigate different sites for reading, how to write fanfiction, and where to post your work. Any interested students can RSVP for this event here.

RU Ready Internship

Students interested in an internship in poli sci should check out RU Ready, a civic engagement initiative created by the Eagleton Institute and administered in area schools. The mission of the program is to provide young people with the tools and encouragement to be politically aware and engaged. Interns’ key roles include developing and implementing virtual in-class sessions and a virtual conference for students in New Brunswick and at other national partner program institutions. The deadline to apply for this opportunity is Fri, Nov 13 at 5pm EST. More info can be found here.

Darien Civic Engagement Project

Internship too much of a commitment right now? Start smaller by applying for the Darien Civic Engagement Project. Interested students must register for the 1.5 credit Topics in Political Science: Teaching Citizenship course. Students enrolled in the DCEP will work closely with RU Ready students and have a similar focus on providing civic education to high school students. Potential applicants can find more info here.
Major, Minor, and Career Readiness Fair

What is scarier for a college student than thinking about the future? *shudders* Make the process a little easier by attending the ongoing SAS Major, Minor, and Career Readiness Fair. This event takes place from Tues, Nov 10 to Fri, Nov 13 and will be split up by day. See the final page of this newsletter for more information on the specific days. Any other questions can be answered here.

PBK Scholarship Application is Open

Looking for a way to engage in active citizenship? Check out the Key into Public Service Scholarship application. Rutgers students in liberal arts and sciences with a GPA of 3.5 or more planning to graduate between Dec 2021 and spring 2023 can apply. (You may have received the info from SAS a few days ago). The form can be found here.

SASHP Halloween Contest Winners

We have a winner! The best costumes of the 2nd Annual SASHP Halloween Costume Contest go to Peer Mentor Julianna Mullen and her Peer Mentee Rylee Evans. These two coordinated some incredible costumes (see image) which they call “Dying for Rutgers Football.” Check out the original Instagram post @hpmentor and our post on @rusashp to show these gals some love.
Rutgers Radio is Live

Spotify your streaming platform of choice? Send in some of your favorite songs to the SASHP Radio, open to all honors students. Current playlists are 2000s-2010s Pop, Chill/Relax, Workout, Car Jams, Good Vibes (R&B), and 90s hip hop. This is a pretty ambitious collab of student music: check here to find out more.

SASHP Talent Spotlight

Got some special talent you are eager to share? From life skills to fun skills, the SASHP Peer Mentor Program wants to see it as part of their IGTV webseries. These videos will be a few minutes long and allow students to feel a little more connected during these times. Submit your wacky talent here.

SASHP Blog Post: “Why You Should Stop Buying Books From Amazon + What You Should Do Instead”

“I’m sure I’m not the first to tell you that Amazon’s extreme popularity, power over the retail industry (especially online), and poor working conditions for employees are glaring reasons to stop shopping there,” says blogger Melanie Raush. The post can be found here.
SAS MAJOR, MINOR, AND CAREER READINESS WEEK

11/09
10 a.m. Getting Career Relevant Experience, with/without an Internship
1 p.m. First Generation Focus: Charting Your Path to Success
7 p.m. Student Alumni Career Live! Arts, Communication, & Entertainment Careers

11/10
1 p.m.–3 p.m. Major, Minor Fair – STEM
5:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m. Alternative Science Careers

11/11
1 p.m. Major, Minor Fair – NON-STEM
2 p.m. Geography Alumni Panel
4:15 p.m. French Beyond the Classroom
7 p.m. Political Science Career Panel (Law)

11/12
1 p.m.–3 p.m. Major, Minor Fair – ALL MAJORS
4 p.m. Linguistics Alumni Panel
7 p.m. Political Science Careers (Non-Law)

11/13
10 a.m. Pathways to Success: Overcoming Adversity
11:30 a.m. Traitify: Discover Your Strengths and Interests

Register at: https://tinyurl.com/y49ncmw2