

Human Dignity Awards Past Recipients

2007-Present

2019-2020

Jennifer Austin, Professor, Department of Spanish and Portuguese Studies, School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University–Newark

Robert C. Like, MD, MS, Professor and Director, Center for Healthy Families and Cultural Diversity, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Spanish for Health Care Professionals, World Languages & Culture and Nursing, Faculty of Arts & Sciences-Camden and School of Nursing–Camden, Rutgers University–Camden

Rabbi Esther Reed, Senior Associate Director, Jewish Campus Life, Rutgers Hillel, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Mark Gregory Robson, Board of Governors Distinguished Service Professor and Professor of Plant Biology, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

2018-2019

Crystal Bedley, Research Manager, Office of Promotion of Women in Science, Engineering, and Math, Rutgers University

Gail Caputo, Professor of Criminal Justice in the Department of Anthropology, Sociology, and Criminal Justice, Rutgers University–Camden

Carlos Fernandez, Director of the Center for Latino Arts & Culture, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Alexander Gates, Distinguished Service Professor, Earth and Environmental Sciences, School of Arts and Sciences–Newark

Gender Center of New Jersey, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences

Jamie Hendrix, Lieutenant, Rutgers University–Newark Police Department

Abril Jiménez, Ph.D. Candidate, Bilingualism & Second Language Acquisition Program, Department of Spanish & Portuguese, School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Howard McGary, Professor of Philosophy, School of Arts and Sciences, Department of Philosophy, Rutgers University–New Brunswick

Maria L. Soto-Greene, M.D, MS–HPed, FACP, Vice Dean and Professor of Medicine, New Jersey Medical School, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences

Student Family Health Care Center (SFHCC), New Jersey Medical School, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences

2017-2018 AWARDS

Gloria Bachmann	Professor, Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences, RWJMS, RBHS
DuWayne Battle	Associate Professor of Teaching and Director of the Baccalaureate Social Work (BASW) Program Rutgers-Camden and New Brunswick
The Corella & Bertram F. Bonner Foundation	Robert Hackett, President, Princeton, NJ
Evelyn Erenrich	Associate Dean for Recruitment and Retention, School of Graduate Studies, Rutgers University-NB
Keith Green	Associate Professor, English Department, Rutgers University-Camden
Kamal Khan	Director, Office for Diversity and Academic Success in the Sciences, Rutgers University-NB
Peter Kahn	Professor, Biochemistry and Microbiology, SEBS, Rutgers University-NB
Roshni Rides	Najeeha Farooqi (CEO), Hanaa Lakhani (CMO), Moneeb Mian (CFO),and Hasan Usmani (COO), Rutgers Business School-Newark and New Brunswick
Deborah Spitalnik	Professor of Pediatrics and Director of The Boggs Center RWJMS, RBHS

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2018

International Leadership Exchange, We Care/Share Solar Program, and Malcolm X. Shabazz High School

Clayton Walton, Assistant Professor of Professional Practice and Executive Director of Globally Engaged Experiential Learning, School of Public Affairs and Administration, Rutgers University-Newark

2016-2017 AWARDS

Sahar Akbarzai	SAS, Rutgers University – New Brunswick
Tanya Norment	Program Administrator, NJ Medical School

SCREAM (Students Challenging Realities and Educating Against Myths) Theater Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Special Recognition

Scarlet and Black Project - Professors, Deborah Gray White, Marisa Fuentes, and Camille Townsend

2015-2016 AWARDS

Albert Appouh	Honors College Student, Rutgers-Newark
Chiffaa Bouzidi	Medical Student, NJ Medical School
Jeffrey Friedman	Professor, Dance Department, MGSA
Rafey Habib	Professor, English, Rutgers-Camden
Robert C. Holmes	Professor of Law, Law School Newark
Queer Newark Oral History Project	(Beryl Satter (co-founder), Darnell Moore (co-founder), Whitney Strub, Timothy Stewart-Winter, Christina Strasburger, Mary Rizzo, Alison Lefkovitz, Naomi Extra, Kristyn Scorsone)-Administered by FASN History Dept.
Samuel Rabinowitz	Professor, Rutgers School of Business-Camden
Barry Smith	CEO & Founder, Youth Empowerment Services
Monica Torres	Undergraduate Student, SAS
Karen Wei-Ru Lin	Faculty Advisor, HIPHOP - Promise Clinic/RWJMS Community Health

2013 – 2014 AWARDS

The Conversation Tree, New Brunswick/Piscataway
Dr. Rick H. Lee , Associate Director, Tyler Clementi Center
Ms. Polly McLaughlin , Director, Newark Alcohol & Other Drugs Assistance Program
Associate Director, Newark Counseling Center
Mr. Jonathon Muse , Assistant Dean & Director, School of Business Academic Services
Mr. Ralph Normandia , University Facilities Grounds Maintenance Staff
Dr. Barry V. Qualls , University Professor, Department of English

2012 – 2013 AWARDS

Ms. Benny Del Castillo, School of Arts & Sciences, 2013
Ms. Jenny Kurtz, Director, Center for Social Justice Education & LGBT Communities
Mr. Rory “Cal” Maradonna, Director, Learning Abroad; Assistant Dean, Off-Campus Programs
Mr. Rene Melara, Newark Colleges of Arts & Science, 2013
Dr. Rosanna Reyes, Assistant Director, Learning Communities
Mr. Mark Schuster, Senior Dean of Students
Dr. Liliane Windsor, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work

2011 – 2012 AWARDS

Leroy Haines, Assistant Director, Housing & Residence Life

Ji Lee, Director, Asian American Cultural Center
Donovan Linder, Student, Rutgers Newark, NCAS '12
Claudio Mir, Program Coordinator, Civic Engagement and Service Education Partnerships
Wendell Pritchett, Chancellor, Rutgers Camden
Donald Roden, Associate Professor, SAS/History

2010 – 2011 AWARDS

Linda Bosniak, Rutgers Camden Law School
Darren Clarke, Executive Director, Continuing Education and Global Programs (GSE)
Marisol Conde-Hernandez, Student, SAS/2011
Engineers Without Borders – RU (Student Chapter of EWB-USA)
Aaron Lee, Student, SAS/2011

2009 – 2010 AWARDS

Asian American Student Leadership Cabinet, Asian Student Council, East Coast Asian American Student Union Conference Planning Board
Steven A. Colson, Donor and Benefactor
Lawrence E. Jacobs, Career Management Specialist, Career Services
LEAP Academy University Charter School/Center for Strategic Urban Community Leadership, Camden, creating resources for poor and working class Black and Latino K through 12 students to attend college.
Newark Pride Alliance, LGBT Community Organization, Newark, for creating after-school programs for LGBT and other youth in Newark.

2008 – 2009 AWARDS

Sandra Rocio Castro, Associate Director, Center for Latino Arts & Culture
Amanda Harber & Melissa Osorio, Association of Public Interest Law, Camden, for representing the poor and homeless in Texas and Louisiana.
Committee on Diversity, GSAPP
Beryl Satter, FAS/History, Rutgers Newark, for her contributions to LGBT visibility at Newark.
Palestinian American Organization, Rutgers Newark

2007 – 2008 AWARDS

Mariam Merced, Director, Community Health Promotion Program, RWJUH
Emily Kaufman & Avi Smolen, Hillel-New Brunswick
Junius Williams, Director, Abbott Leadership Institute, Rutgers Newark, for his untiring work with the Abbott Project school districts.
Rutgers Women's Basketball Team, Rutgers New Brunswick/Piscataway, for their dignity in the face of the slanderous and defaming words on the part of radio DJ Don Imus.

2006 – 2007 AWARDS

Allen and Joan Bildner, philanthropists and founders of The Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life

Rutgers–Camden Center for the Arts

Institute for Jazz Studies, Rutgers–Newark

Tynesha McHarris, Student, Rutgers–Newark

Cheryl Wall, Board of Governors Professor of English, School of the Arts and Sciences