Faculty Achievement Report
October 2012 – January 2013

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HONORS, AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

African, Middle Eastern, and South Asian Languages and Literatures

Ousseina Alidou (with Abena Busia) conducted an international workshop on “Gender and Higher Education in Africa” as part of a joint project of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and Rutgers University Center for African Studies, in Dakar, Senegal, October 29-31, 2012.

American Studies

Lou Masur won the annual Abraham Lincoln Institute book prize for Lincoln’s Hundred Days: The Emancipation Proclamation and the War of the Union (Harvard University Press, 2012). The Institute is located in Washington and is well-known for advancing scholarship on Lincoln and his era. He will receive the award in Washington in March.

Caroline Wigginton’s coedited book Transatlantic Feminisms in the Age of Revolutions (Oxford, 2012) was selected by the American Library Association's Choice Magazine as an Outstanding Academic Title for 2012.

Anthropology

Lee Cronk (with Beth L. Leech) received funding from the National Evolutionary Synthesis Center for a Catalysis Meeting on “Synthesizing the Evolutionary and Social Science Approaches to Human Cooperation” (2013).

Parvis Ghassem-Fachandi was awarded a Social Science Research Grant (New Direction in the Study of Prayer), 2012-2014, and was awarded a Fellowship at the Nantes Institute for Advanced Studies, France, 2012-2013.

Daniel Goldstein’s recent book, Outlawed: Between Security and Rights in a Bolivian City (Duke U. Press 2012), has received the distinction of being selected as a John Hope Franklin Center book.

Dorothy Hodgson has been awarded a Residential Fellowship (June 2013) at the Rockefeller Bellagio Center in Italy and was awarded a Faculty Fellowship (2013-2014) from the National Endowment for the Humanities to support the writing of her new book, Gender, Law and The
Problem of Culture: Maasai Struggles for Gender Justice and was awarded Honorable Mention for the Senior Book Prize of the American Ethnological Society for her recent book, Being Maasai, Becoming Indigenous: Postcolonial Politics in a Neoliberal World (Indiana 2011).

Fran Mascia-Lees was a Visiting International Scholar at the University of Prishtina’s (Kosovo) Institute for Cultural Studies, Spring 2013.

Robert Triver’s book, The Folly of Fools, was selected by the New York Times as one of the 100 Notable Books of 2012.

Art History

Carla Yanni received the Mark C. Stevens Researcher Travel Fellowship from the Bentley Historical Library of the University of Michigan to fund her research on the architecture of dormitories.

Andres Zervigon was the recipient of a Senior Fellowship at the Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. for 2013-2014. He also declined a one-year Clark/Oakley Humanities Fellowship.

Asian Languages and Cultures

Young-mee Yu Cho was awarded the 31st Sejong Presidential Award for Merit in Korean Language by the Republic of Korea for her contribution toward Korean language education.

Cell Biology and Neuroscience

Bonnie Firestein was awarded a 2012 NARSAD Distinguished Investigator Award by the The Brain & Behavior Research Foundation. Dr. Firestein has been named the Marion G. Nicholson Investigator and was awarded a patent for her work on snapin.

Richard Ebright has received a $5.15 M grant from the National Institutes of Health Partnerships for Development of Therapeutics and Diagnostics for Biodefense program. The grant is entitled “Therapeutics for drug-resistant bacteria: pseudouridimycins” and involves Rutgers as the awardee institution and UMDNJ-Newark and NAICONS-Milan as subawardee institutions.

Chemistry and Chemical Biology

Jing Li was elected as a Fellow of AAAS, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a prestigious peer honor recognizing contributions to science and technology.

Computer Science

Abhishek Bhattacharjee received the NSF Career Award.

Swastik Kopparty received the NSF Career Award.

Criminal Justice

Lauren Krivo was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on People of Color and Crime, American Society of Criminology (November 2012).
Genetics

Linda Brzustowicz was elected as a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association.

Amrik Sahota has been awarded a certificate of recognition by the College of American Pathologists for demonstrating knowledge of CAP process, inspection techniques, and commitment to helping laboratories improve patient care.

Geography

Trevor Birkenholtz was awarded a grant from the American Institute of Indian Studies for the organization of the Water and Waste conference to be held at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, February 2013.

History

James Delborugo was awarded a joint American Philosophical Society/British Academy Fellowship for Research in London to assist with his ongoing research on Hans Sloane, Summer 2013.


Linguistics

Kenneth Safir received NSF award BCS-1256137 for $33,913.00 for an Afranaph Project Development Workshop, to take place in December, 2013 at Rutgers. Prof. Safir is the director of the Afranaph Project, which is funded by earlier grants from NSF.

Mathematics

Current faculty members in the Department of Mathematics who have been named fellows in the inaugural class of the American Mathematical Society (AMS) are: Haim Brezis, Gregory Cherlin, Henryk Iwaniec, Jeff Kahn, Michael K.H. Kiessling, Joel L. Lebowitz, James Lepowsky, Yanyan Li, Roger D. Nussbaum, Fred S. Roberts, Eduardo Daniel Sontag, Hector J. Sussmann, Simon Thomas, Jerrold B. Tunnell, Michael S. Vogelius, Robert Lee Wilson, and Doron Zeilberger.

Amy Cohen received the Association for Women in Mathematics 2013 Louise Hay Award at the Joint Mathematics Meetings in San Diego in January 2013. Established in 1991, this award recognizes achievements in any area of mathematics education. The citation specifically mentions her leadership of the New Jersey Partnership for Excellence in Middle School Mathematics, and her significant service to professional organizations.

Swastik Kopparty is one of this year’s 20 recipients of a Sloan Research Fellowship in Mathematics.
Physics and Astronomy

Jolie Cizewski was recognized by the American Physical Society as the Woman Physicist of the Month for November 2012.

Gregory Moore was elected a Fellow of the American Mathematical Society, Nov. 2012.

Terry Matilsky has received the Astronomical Society of the Pacific's 2012 Richard H. Emmons Prize for lifetime achievement in teaching astronomy.

Rachel Somerville has been selected as the 2013 recipient of the Dannie Heineman Prize for Astrophysics, which is given annually to recognize outstanding work in the field. The award is given jointly by the American Astronomical Society and the American Institute of Physics and is awarded without regard to country of origin or residency.

Political Science

R. Daniel Kelemen had his book, Eurolegalism recognized as a Foreign Affairs Best Book of 2011 on Western Europe.

Mona Lena Krook served as host to Jennifer Curtin, Associate Professor of Political Science at the University Of Auckland, New Zealand, who was a Visiting Senior Fulbright Scholar at Georgetown University during Fall 2012 funded by the Fulbright Occasional Lecturer.

Beth Leech has been awarded (with Lee Cronk, professor in Anthropology), funding to organize a Catalysis Meeting on the topic of human cooperation at the National Evolutionary Synthesis Center in Durham, N.C., in April 2013. Catalysis meetings bring together 30 scholars from around the world to encourage cross-disciplinary synthesis.

Paul Poast received the Walter Isard Award from the Peace Science Society (International) for the Best Doctoral Dissertation in the Field of Peace Science, 2012. The award is given every two years.

Spanish and Portuguese

Susan Martin-Marquez was awarded a prestigious NEH fellowship for 2013-14.

Sociology

Ethel Brooks received an Open Society Institute Travel Award, for her attendance at the Unveiling of the Memorial for the European Roma and Sinti Murdered under National Socialism, Berlin. (October 2012).

Lauren Krivo was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Division on People of Color and Crime, American Society of Criminology (November 16, 2012).

Kristen Springer was awarded a National Institutes of Health (NIH) R03 grant titled “Spouses’ Health at Midlife and Wife Breadwinning Dynamics Across the Life Course.”
KEYNOTE AND MAJOR CONFERENCES

African, Middle Eastern, and South Asian Languages and Literatures

Ousseina Alidou delivered a keynote address at the conference on “Africa: Plugged/Unplugged?” sponsored by the Nordic Africa Institute, University of Iceland, Reykjavík. October 18-19, 2012.

Anthropology

Laura Ahearn was invited to present “Leave-taking Interactional Routines and the Process of Saying Goodbye in (and to) Nepal” at University of Michigan’s Department of Anthropology, October 2012, “Love Letters and Goodbyes: The Case for Linguistic Anthropology” at the Smithsonian Institute, October 2012, and “Anthropologies of Language: Saying Goodbye in-and to-Nepal” to the University of Pennsylvania’s Department of Anthropology, in September 2012.


Fran Mascia-Lees organized and chaired a double session on “Sensing The Political: Materiality, Aesthetics, and Embodiment” at the 111th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, San Francisco, CA, November 2012, with Nell Quest.

Becky Schulthies was a Co-organizer and Chair of a Panel for the Annual AAA meeting, “Mediated Boundaries: Language and Ethnography in the Internet Age,” Nov. 2012 and gave another presentation at the AAA meeting, “teegy fen ya ro7 omak haha hosney is the bomb in that vid!!!!”: Graphic Inscriptions and Interactional Histories on YouTube.

Art History

Susan Sidlauskas was a speaker at a private symposium held at the Pulitzer Foundation in St. Louis, chaired by Emily Pulitzer, October 2012. She also presented a paper at an international conference on Interiority, Berlin, December 2012.

Susan Sidlauskas delivered the keynote address for the Mark Roskill Graduate Symposium, University of Massachusetts, October 2012.

Carla Yanni delivered a public lecture at Wesleyan University in October 2012 to celebrate the naming of a building in honor of John Paoletti; the talk was titled “Live and Learn: The Social and Architectural History of Dormitories and Residence Halls.”

Asian Languages and Cultures

Richard VanNess Simmons gave a plenary presentation (in Chinese) titled “Toward a Deeper Historical Perspective on the Geographical Subgrouping of Mandarin Dialects 从语音史的角度看官话方言的地理 分布” at the opening plenary session of the 2nd International Conference on Chinese Geolinguistics (CGL-2)
第二届中国地理语言学国际学术研讨会, Nanjing University 南京大学, China, October 19-20, 2012.

Richard VanNess Simmons gave an invited plenary presentation (in Chinese) titled “Aspect in Old Hángzhōu 老派杭州方言时体系统举例” Presented at the plenary by invitation at the International Conference on Aspectual Systems in Chinese Dialects
汉语方言时体系统国际学术研讨会, Central Minzú University 中央民族大学, Beijing, China, November 10-11, 2012.

Cell Biology and Neuroscience

Martin Grumet delivered an invited plenary talk at The 2012 World Stem Cell Summit entitled - Immunomodulation after Spinal Cord Injury by Transplantation of “MSC in a Cage” - this described a minimally invasive non-immunogenic stem cell delivery system for several CNS disorders, December 3-5, 2012.

Gary Merrill Invited Grand Rounds Seminar, Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, RWJMS, ‘Acetaminophen: beyond fever and pain,’ October, 2012.

Chemistry and Chemical Biology


Martha Greenblatt was a plenary speaker at two symposia in December: “Functional Materials” at the 3rd Special Symposium on Advances in Functional Materials (AFM-3) in Changchun, China (12/12/12) and “Materials Design: Can Theory Lead Experiment?” at the 5th International Symposium on Functional Materials in Perth, Australia (12/19/12) And also delivered an invited talk in Brazil: “Low-Dimensional Nickelates – Can We Achieve Superconductivity in La4Ni3O8?” at the Workshop on Correlated Electronic Materials Design in Natal, Brazil (12/4/12) and has also accepted an invitation to give a LA-SIGMA lecture at LSU in early April.

Joachim Kohn chaired the 11th New Jersey Symposium on Biomaterials Science, October 9-11, 2012. The symposium, titled “Bioactive Scaffolds, From the Nano to the Micro Scale” attracted 246 academic, industrial, military, and government researchers from 12 different countries to foster communication and understanding between the multitudes of disciplines comprising biomaterials science.

Wilma Olson delivered the O'Malley Lectures in Chemistry at Boston College: “Insights into Gene Expression and Packaging from Computer Simulation” (10/24/12) and “Long-range Communication on Chromatin” (10/25/12). Professor Olson also delivered invited talks at the workshop on Genome Mechanics at the Nuclear Scale at the Lorentz Center, Leiden University in The Netherlands (December 2012) and at the International Conference on Biomolecular Forms and Functions: A Celebration of 50 Years of the Ramachandran Map at the Molecular Biophysics Unit, Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore, India (January 2013).
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Computer Science


Casimir Kulikowski chaired at the American College of Medical Informatics Committee of Historians, and gave a presentation of progress on the ACMI History Project, AMIA Meeting, Chicago, IL, November 2012.

Mario Szegedy gave the opening lecture at the Symposium on Computer Science in Russia (CSR 2013).

Criminal Justice


Exercise Science and Sport Studies


Genetics

Maureen Barr presented the seminar titled, “Sex, Cilia and Stress in C. elegans” at the University of Georgia, Department of Biology on August 28, 2012; at the University of Princeton, Developmental Biology Colloquium on November 9, 2012; and at Queens College, CUNY, Department of Biology on December 12, 2012.

Kevin Chen gave a seminar titled “Function and Evolution of Piwi-interacting RNAs,” at the Genome Institute of Singapore in October 2012 and at the Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine in Connecticut in December 2012.

Karen Schindler presented the seminar “Maternally recruited Aurora C kinase is more stable than Aurora B to support mouse oocyte maturation and early development,” both at the Biology Department at Duquesne University, and the Animal Science Department at the University of Missouri, in September 2012; and at Fairleigh Dickinson University in November 2012.
Nathan Treff presented the seminar “Directed evolution and translation of human embryonic aneuploidy screening technology to improve the treatment of infertility” at the Washington State University, Center for Reproductive Biology, November 28, 2012.

Jinchuan Xing gave a seminar titled “Understanding Human Evolutionary History in the Genomics Era” at the Center for Human Evolutionary Studies, Rutgers, in November 2012.

Jinchuan Xing presented the poster titled “Genomic analysis of natural selection and phenotypic variation in high-altitude Mongolians” at the American Society of Human Genetics 62nd annual meeting, San Francisco, CA, in November 2012.

Geography


Asa Rennermalm was interviewed in CCTV America's documentary Melting Point about Greenland which aired December 23, 2012. Link: http://www.youtube.com/user/cctvamericasnow

Laura Schneider presented at the University of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Conservation Seminar Series. Environmental Disturbances in the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor Calakmul Sian Ka’an, Yucatán: Landscape responses. October 19, 2012.

Laura Schneider presented a paper at the American Geophysical Union, 45th Annual Meeting: “Seeing the pasture through the trees: A household model explaining silvo-pastoral landscapes in the Ecuadorian Amazon.” December 7, 2012.

Richard Schroeder is the Co-Organizer with Lindsay Campbell, Urban Natures Workshop. Held at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey and offsite at Freshkills landfill reclamation site on Staten Island, Brooklyn Bridge Park, and the Brooklyn Grange Rooftop Farm. Jointly sponsored by the Department of Geography and the US Forest Service’s Urban Field Station in New York, this event was the third in a series of "Nature-Society" workshops involving four of the leading geography departments in the northeast, including Rutgers, Syracuse, Penn State and Clark University. October 5-6, 2012.

Italian Studies

Andrea Baldi was invited by the Department of German and Romance Languages and Literatures at Johns Hopkins University to give a graduate seminar (“Civilitas e sprezzatura nel Galateo”) and a lecture (“Componimento mio anch’essa: la dama di corte tra Castiglione, Speronie Guasco”) on November 27th, 2012.
Jewish Studies

Jeffrey Shandler delivered the Leonard Wolinsky Lecture at York University, Toronto on April 22, 2012. Lecture title: “Anne Frank: From Diary to Book.”

Yael Zerubavel delivered the Einhorn Endowed Lecture at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and gave a faculty seminar to the Jewish Studies program on April 19-20, 2012. Lecture title: “The Bible, the Lure of Antiquity, and Israeli Popular Culture.” Seminar title: “Numerical Commemoration in the Public Space: The Changing Ethos of Remembrance in Israeli Culture.”

Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies


Tatiana Flores was the invited speaker at the Latin American Art Bibliography Symposium: A Continuing Conversation, held at the New York Public Library on October 4, 2012 she was also an invited speaker at the Korean Association for the History of Modern Art (KAHOMA) 13th International Symposium in Seoul, Korea on October 20, 2012. The conference theme was “Friend or Foe: Illuminating Art and Rivalry,” and she presented the paper “Whose Side Are We On? Artistic Rivalries in Post-Revolutionary Mexico.”

Nelson Maldonado-Torres was invited to give the 2012 Hispanic Heritage Month Lecture at the University of Wyoming, September 2012, and was an invited keynote speaker in the Encuentro Internacional del Colectivo Modernity/Colonialidad [International Encounter of the Modernity/Coloniality Collective], in Patagonia, Argentina, October 12012, and was invited as a presenter in a panel on “Decolonial Feminist Critique” organized by the American Quarterly at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Studies Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 2012, and in a panel on the relevance of Frantz Fanon for philosophy organized by the American Philosophical Association Eastern Division Program Committee for the 2012 meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, December 2012.

Linguistics


Veneeta Dayal was the Invited/Keynote Speaker: Workshop on The Syntax and Semantics of Pseudo-Incorporation, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft, Potsdam (Germany).

History

Michael Adas delivered the Toynbee Prize Lecture in a special Toynbee Award session at the American Historical Association Convention in New Orleans on January 4, 2013. The lecture,
entitled "Agency, Context, Connections: The Challenge of Combining the Multiple Levels of the Global Experience," is slated to be the focus article for a forum to be published in *Historically Speaking* this spring.

**Nancy Hewitt** was invited to be the keynote speaker at the October 2012 Seneca Falls Dialogue Conference. She was also the recipient of the second Women’s Institute for Leadership and Learning Award (WILLA), which recognizes “extraordinary contributions to women’s rights, women’s history, and women’s and gender studies.” In addition, Nancy Hewitt was inducted into the National Women’s Hall of Fame Lives and Legacies Book, an online listing of major figures in diverse fields.

**Philosophy**

**Alvin Goldman** was invited to deliver a talk at the Institute for Cognitive Science, Lyon, France, at a symposium in honor of Marc Jeannerod, October 30, 2012 and delivered a talk entitled, “Toward a More Fruitful Conception of Embodied Cognition,” and gave the keynote address at a conference on epistemology at the University of Miami (Florida), entitled “Varieties of Epistemic Relativism,” January 11, 2013.

**Jeff McMahan** was one of two keynote speakers at a conference on “Mortality, Death, and Dying” at the Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies, University of Helsinki, August 2012. He was one of three keynote speakers at the Rocky Mountain Ethics Congress, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, August 2012 and gave the Nancy K. Rhoden Memorial Lecture in Ethics, Oberlin College, November 2012. He has been selected to be the Astor Lecturer in the Humanities at the University of Oxford for the year 2013 and was invited to give the Wittgenstein lectures at the University of Bayreuth in June of 2013.

**Larry Temkin** presented “Rethinking the Good: Moral Ideals and the Nature of Practical Reasoning,” as the Fifth Annual Law, Ethics, and Philosophy (LEAP) Lecture at Pompeu Fabra University. This year's LEAP Lecture was the keynote address of a special conference on Temkin's recent book of the same title as Temkin's talk, and in addition to his Lecture he provided responses to several commentaries on his book. Temkin's talk, the commentaries, and Temkin's responses will be published as part of a special issue of the Journal *Law, Ethics, and Philosophy* celebrating Temkin's book. Barcelona, October, 2012.

**Physics and Astronomy**

**Gregory Moore** delivered the Felix Klein Lectures at the Hausdorff Institute for Mathematics in Bonn, Germany, October, 2012. This is a prestigious lecture series. Moore delivered a series of eight lecture and a plenary address, “N=2 Field Theory and Physical Mathematics,” International Conference on Mathematics and Physics, Aalborg, Denmark, August 8, 2012.

**David Vanderbilt** was invited to present a plenary lecture on “Berry phases and curvatures in computational electronic structure theory” at the 24th Conference of the European Physical Society, Condensed Matter Division, Edinburgh, UK, September 5, 2012.
Political Science


Eric Davis was invited by the Global Futures Forum to present: “The State as a Shaper of Identity in the Middle East” at The Role of Identity Politics in Conflict and Extremism: Middle East-North Africa Regional Perspectives, Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Sept 2012, by the Gaudino Fund for the Study of Democracy and the International Studies Program at Williams College, to give two lectures: “Dangerous Times Ahead? Will the Arab Spring Bring Democracy to the Middle East?” and “The Changing Nature of War in the Middle East: From Conventional War to Winning ‘Hearts and Minds,’” November 2012, and by the Institute for National Strategic Studies, the National Defense University, Washington, DC, to present, “Is There Democracy in Iraq’s Future?” November 2012.

Mona Lena Krook was invited to present on “Women’s Leadership in Global Perspective” at the Symposium on “Gender Inequality in Emerging Markets” at Green Templeton College, Oxford University, January 2013.


Jan Kubik presented a paper (with Michael Bernhard) “Roundtable Discord: The Fading Memory of Solidarity” in the panel on The Politics of Memory in Eastern Europe, Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, 44th Annual Convention, New Orleans, LA, November 15-18, 2012.

Jack Levy was invited to present a paper on “The Theory and Practice of Preventive War” at Kansas State University, September 2012. Professor Levy was also invited to give a presentation on “The Future of War” at the U.S. National Intelligence Council’s Conference on Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds, at Indiana University, October 2012. Professor Levy was also invited to present a paper on “The Theory and Practice of Preventive War” at Koç University, Istanbul, November 2012.


Psychology

Maurice Elias gave a keynote address to the statewide School Security Forum, sponsored by the NJ School Boards Association at TCNJ and attended by over 700 educational leaders on Jan. 18,
Howard Leventhal gave the Opening Address at the Retirement Ceremony for Professor Stan Maes (Former Dean & Chair Department of Psychology), Leiden University, The Netherlands, December 3, 2012 (The Common Sense of Managing & Living with Chronic Illness & Life Changes.)

Daniel Ogilvie has been selected as a TED2013 speaker. His talk is based on work he has been doing at Rutgers since 2009, the Soul Searching Project, and the Signature Course, Soul Beliefs, currently being filmed as an online course for future students.

Sociology

József Böröcz delivered the keynote lecture “Regimes of Remittance Dependency: Global Structures and Trajectories of the Former Soviet ‘Bloc’” at the Launching Conference of SEEMIG, a research project entitled “Managing Migration and its Effects in South-East Europe: Transnational Actions towards Evidence Based Strategies,” funded by the European Union, Institute of Informatics and Statistics of the Faculty of Natural Sciences of the Comenius University, Slovakia (September 2012).

Ethel Brooks delivered the talk “The Romani Porrajmos in Historical Context,” for History Speaks, Do We Listen? Porrajmos and the Resurgence of Anti-“Gypsy” Extremism. The Kleinmann Family Foundation Holocaust Education Program, Goethe Institut/Concordia University, Montreal. (December 2012).

Deborah Carr spoke at the Palliative Care Consensus Conference at Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY (January 2013).


Spanish and Portuguese

Jose Camacho: What do Spanish copulas have in common with Tibetan evidentials? Keynote presentation, Ser and estar at the Interfaces University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain, October 2012.
Statistics and Biostatistics


David Tyler was co-chair of the International Conference on Robust Statistics 2012 (ICORS-2012), Burlington, Vermont in August 2012. An annual international conference for researchers interested in robust statistics, was attended by participants from over 20 countries.

EDITORSHIPS AND OTHER PRESTIGIOUS SERVICES

Anthropology

Laura Ahearn became General Editor of the Oxford University Press “Studies in the Anthropology of Language” Series (December 2012) and was invited to join the Editorial Board of the journal, American Anthropologist (December 2012).

Susan Cachel served as the advisory editor for Human Evolution for the 3rd volume of the Oxford Companion to Archaeology, 2012.

Angelique Haugerud has been appointed to the editorial board of Open Anthropology (a new online journal published by the American Anthropological Association).

Fran Mascia-Lees has been appointed Chair of the Awards Committee of the American Anthropological Association.

Ryne Palombit was appointed to the Editorial Advisory Board for the journal, Primates and was appointed to the Editorial Committee for the journal, African Primates and was appointed Associate for the journal, Behavior and Brain Sciences.

Art History

Benjamin Paul has been awarded the Marie Curie Fellowship from the Gerda Henkel Foundation for 2013-2015.

Tanya Sheehan serves on the editorial board of the journal Photography & Culture. She also was appointed to the editorial board of caa.reviews, the online journal of the College Art Association. In addition, she will serve as “Humanities Editor” for the web project Mirror of Race (http://mirrorofrace.org).

Asian Languages and Culture

Janet Walker was elected as a member of the International Board of the Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School, Free University-Berlin.
Cell Biology and Neuroscience

Long-Jun Wu was invited as a Guest Professor (2 year tenure) in Jiangnan University School of Medicine, Wuxi, China in December 2012.

Chemistry and Chemical Biology

Stephen Burley has been named the new director for the Center for Integrative Proteomics Research and joins the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology’s faculty.

Criminal Justice

Lauren Krivo began a three year term as an Executive Counselor of the American Society of Criminology.

Computer Science

Tina Eliassi-Rad served an area chair for the 2012 Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS) conference, which was held in December 2012. Currently, she is serving as a Senior PC for the 2013 National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'13) and the 2013 SIAM International Conference on Data Mining (SDM'13) and was a member of the conference panel on big data at the 2013 IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM'13) in December 2012.

Casimir Kulikowski was named an Honorary Fellow of the International Medical Informatics Association (IMIA) at the General Assembly held in Beijing in October 2012.

Exercise Science and Sport Studies

Shawn Arent is a co-investigator on a grant from Central Life Sciences totaling $77,285.00 for a study entitled “Pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics of an oral superoxidedismutase supplement as a recovery aid for horses following strenuous exercise.”

Sara Campbell was editor for a special edition of the Journal of Nutrition and Food Sciences entitled “Functional Foods and Health” and is a member of the editorial board for the Journal of Nutritional Disorders and Therapies.

Gregory Henderson is the co-investigator on a grant from NIH, National Institute on Aging totaling $232,125 for a study entitled “Development of a C. elegans exercise model for evaluating healthy aging mechanism.”

Germanic, Russian, and Eastern European Language and Literature

Nicola Behrmann continues to serve as chief editor for a 10-volume annotated edition of the collected prose and poetry of Expressionist writer Emmy Hennings, in conjunction with the Schweizer Literaturarchiv in Bern.
Genetics

Andrew Brooks is the Principal Investigator in a Grant sponsored by the NYU School of Medicine/NIH-NHLBI; Project Period: 8/24/12-8/23/13; Total Costs: $441,500 Research Grant title: International Study of Comparative Health Effectiveness with Medical and Invasive Approaches.

Linda Brzustowicz is the Principal Investigator in a Grant sponsored by UMDNJ-RWJMS/ NJ Governor’s Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism; Project Period: 12/31/2012-12/31/2017; Total Costs: $99,554; Research Grant title: The Generation and Characterization of Autism iPSCs.

Linda Brzustowicz (together with James Millonig) received the Edison Patent Award from the R&D Council of New Jersey in the medical diagnostic category for their patent “Compositions and Methods of Diagnosing Autism” (U.S. Patent 7,629,123). This patent’s research has, in part, lead to the launch of the ARISK Autism Risk Assessment Test by establishing an association between ENGRAILED HOMEBOX 2 transcription factor (EN2) and susceptibility for autism and related disorders. (November 8, 2012).

Douglas Fugman is the Principal Investigator in a Grant sponsored by the Genetic Alliance, Inc. Project Period: 04/19/2010-03/18/2014; Total Costs: $13,234; Research Grant title: Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome (CFIDS) – contract mod & cont’n.

Derek Gordon is the Principal Investigator in a Grant sponsored by the University of Minnesota /NIH-NIAMS; Project Period: 08/01/2012-07/31/2017; Total Costs: $358,688 Research Grant Title: Identity of a keratinocyte stem-cell regulatory gene in the KSC2 locus.

Geography

Robin Leichenko was invited by New York City Mayor’s office to serve on New York City Panel on Climate Change. The panel will provide scientific oversight to the rebuilding effort following Hurricane Sandy and guidance on the city on how to prepare for climate change.

Robin Leichenko was elected to serve as Vice Chair (2013-2014) and Future Chair (2015-16) of the Economic Geography Specialty Group (EGSG) of the Association of American Geographers.


Jewish Studies

Jeffrey Shandler has been elected a fellow of the American Academy for Jewish Research. The AAJR is the oldest organization of Judaic scholars in North America. Fellows are nominated and elected by their peers and thus constitute the most distinguished and most senior scholars teaching Judaic studies at American universities.
Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies

Aldo Santiago was elected to the Executive Council of the CLAH (Conference on Latin American History) for 2013-2014. and is organizing the second Workshop/conference on the History of Puerto Ricans in the US, May 2013 at Rutgers Inn.

Linguistics

Mark Baker was elected to the nominating committee for section Z of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Roger Schwarzschild became an Associate Editor of Journal of Semantics

Psychology

Rochel Gelman: NAS member of Committee on the Long-Term Stewardship of Driver Safety Data, Jan, 2013

Alan Leslie is President-Elect of the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 2012-2013.

Laurie Rudman is Editor of the Journal of Experimental Social Psychology.


Philosophy

Anthony Gillies has been named Associate Editor of Semantics & Pragmatics: A Journal of the Linguistic Society of America.

Holly Smith serves as a member of the Ad Hoc American Philosophical Association Committee on Dual Career Issues, and spoke as a panelist for the session on Dual Career Problems at the Eastern Division American Philosophical Association, December 2012.

Physics and Astronomy

Vitaly Podzorov was chosen as a guest editor for a special issue of the Materials Research Society Bulletin on organic single materials.

Political Science

Mona Krok was appointed to the Executive Committee of the Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section of the American Political Science Association. She also wrote a report on “Gender and Elections: Temporary Special Measures Beyond Quotas,” on the full range of policy options available to promote gender parity in elections. The paper was commissioned by the Conflict Prevention and Peace Forum of the Social Science Research Council for the Electoral Affairs Division of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs, New York, NY, December 2012-January 2013.
Jan Kubik served as the Senior Faculty Senior Faculty Advisor at the 25th Annual Junior Scholars’ Training Seminar, East European Studies at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, August 10-13, 2012.

Richard Lau was elected to the Governing Council of the International Society of Political Psychology. Two of Professor Richard R. Lau's graduate students, Tessa Ditonto and Mona Kleingberg, were awarded dissertation enhancement grants from the National Science Foundation.

Sophia Wallace serves on the American Political Science Association Presidential Task Force on Getting to Yes in Politics.

Psychology

Louis Matzel is principle investigator on an Office of Naval Research Grant "Selective Attention, Working Memory Training, and General Intelligence," 60,000 total costs.

Edward Selby is principle investigator on a Brain and Behavior Research Foundation grant, "Emotion Dyregulation in Borderline Personality Disorder and Bulimia Nervosa," $60,000 total costs.

George Wagner is principle investigator on a NIH Fellowship Award (Joseph Cohen, Fellow), "Developmental Pathways from Anxiety to Depression in Youth," $41,891.

Religion

Tao Jiang serves as co-chair of “Religions in Chinese and Indian Cultures: A Comparative Perspective” Group, a program unit under the American Academy of Religion and serves as co-chair of Neo-Confucian Studies Seminar, Columbia University and serves as book review editor, Journal of Buddhist Philosophy (SUNY) and serves on editorial board: Dao: A Journal of Comparative Philosophy (Springer).

Sociology

Deborah Carr was named to editorial board of Research on Aging. Joanna Kempner was named to the editorial board of Contexts and continues as a member of the editorial board of Signs.

NEW PROGRAMS, CENTERS, INSTITUTES, OR INITIATIVES

Geography

The International Studies Certificate is an interdisciplinary program offered under the administration of the Department of Geography in the School of Arts and Sciences. It is open to all Rutgers University undergraduate students interested in learning about issues in a global framework. Globalization has changed the way people live, work and play together. The completion of a Certificate in International Studies will help prepare Rutgers University students to meet the challenges of an increasingly complex global environment.
http://geography.rutgers.edu/undergraduateprogram/current-ugrad/135-international-studies-certificate-program

**Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies**

Nelson Maldonado-Torres, Yolanda Martínez-San Miguel, and Michelle Stephens were invited to become co-editors for a new Critical Caribbean Book Series by Rutgers University Press, (Fall 2012-Present).

**Philosophy**

Larry Temkin helped launch the Birmingham England Chapter of the charitable organization *Giving What We Can*, along with the Princeton philosopher Peter Singer, October, 2012.

**Physics and Astronomy**

Rachel Somerville served as external commentator on a NASA Press release conference on the Wide-Field Infrared Survey Explorer mission, which was featured in many international news media including CBS, NPR, BBC, the Huffington Post, New Scientist, Discovery News, The Atlantic, the Smithsonian Magazine, and WIRED.

David Vanderbilt, Kristjan Haule, Sang-Wook Cheong and Seonshik Oh are Co-principal investigators on a prestigious NSF grant awarded in September 2012. It is one of the first grants awarded under a new NSF program known as DMREF (Designing Materials to Revolutionize and Engineer our Future). They were awarded $1.28M over four years for a project entitled "Enhanced functionalities in 5d transition-metal compounds from large spin-orbit coupling."

**Political Science**

Drucilla Cornell taught a course at the London School of Critical Theory titled, “Constituting a Revolutionary Government: Part II.” She has been invited and accepted an offer to teach again at the London School of Critical Theory: Birbeck, University of London for Summer 2013.

R. Daniel Kelemen recently secured a major “Getting to Know Europe” outreach grant from the EU Delegation in Washington DC for Rutgers Center for European Studies.

Jan Kubik lectured and consulted at the University of Georgia, Tbilisi, Georgia, October 21-16, 2012. Kubik co-wrote the grant that is designed to help develop a political science program at this new University.

Sophia Wallace created in the collaboration with three other assistant professors at other east coast universities, the *Symposium on Politics of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity (SPIRE)*. SPIRE is a biannual meeting at various east coast universities for scholars of racial and ethnic politics to present work, receive feedback, network, and receive mentorship.

**Psychology**

Elizabeth Torres, Rutgers University Office of Technology Transfer and Commercialization, has filed a national and international patent of the invention “Methods for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Neurodevelopmental and Neurodegenerative Disorders.” Torres was invited to
present the work at the SRI-Sarnoff Corporation, the Princeton Branch (inventors of color TV and Siri, the iphone agent).

**NOTEWORTHY**

**American Studies**

Michael Aaron Rockland’s November 19 lecture at the Instituto Cervantes on his new book, “An American Diplomat in Franco Spain,” was filmed by C-Span and was shown in its 1 and 1/2 hour entirety on C-Span 2 on December 29, 30, and January 19.

**Art History**

Tatiana Flores curated the exhibition *Medios y Ambientes* of installation art by eight Latin American artists at the Museo Universitario del Chopo, Mexico City, on view from May through September, 2012.

Tod Marder delivered a public lecture, “Bernini on the Piazza Navona,” at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in December 2012.

Tanya Sheehan and Andres Zervigon staged the Developing Room symposium, “Documentary Photography Today” at Rutgers University on December 7, 2012.

**Chemistry and Chemical Biology**

G. Charles Dismukes and Martha Greenblatt are working with the U.S. Department of Energy’s research center on artificial fuels. Read more about how the production of sustainable energy takes a step forward at [http://chem.rutgers.edu/production-sustainable-energy-takes-step-forward](http://chem.rutgers.edu/production-sustainable-energy-takes-step-forward)


Fuguo Jiang, a graduate student at Rutgers’ Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine (CABM) and the Department of Chemistry and Chemical Biology (CCB), has won a $6,000 stipend for outstanding self-financed students abroad from the Chinese government. The award is given annually to students across all fields of study showing outstanding performance in their doctoral studies. Fuguo's research involves important receptors in the human innate nervous system, and it might one day lead to a drug to boost the body’s ability to halt infection by pathogenic microorganisms such as hepatitis C and other viruses.


Joachim Kohn was recently featured in the Jan/Feb issue of the Disabled American Veterans National Magazine in an article titled “Breakthroughs In Restoration.” The article highlighted Dr. Kohn’s work as part of the Armed Forces Institute of Regenerative Medicine.

Graduate Student Michelle Ouimet was recently named the new President of the Chemistry Graduate Student Association. Ouimet is hoping to reinvigorate the GSA with new programs such as an industrial lecture series with Rutgers Chemistry alumni. Former GSA President Eric Klauber, a CCB alumnus who works at BASF, started the lecture series Thursday, November 29, discussing the transition from graduate school to industry.

Criminal Justice

Paul Hirschfield research was featured in an article on school discipline, “Unequal Justice,” in the American School Board Journal (December 2012).


Exercise Science and Sport Studies

Shawn Arent was a primary contributor to the content on the Nike-sponsored global initiative entitled “Designed to Move” (www.designedtomove.org).

Helene Sisti partnered with Kinetic Learning to promote physical activity in elementary school children (K-3). Kinetic Learning is sponsored by Johnson and Johnson as part of their healthcare initiative to combat childhood obesity.

French

Carole Allamand’s novel La plume de l’ours (Paris: Editions Stock, 2013) came out on January 9. It was featured in a “You Must Read This” program on national radio station RTL, selected as one of the five noteworthy novels of the January literary “rentée” on Evene.fr, France’s largest cultural website, and reviewed in several magazines, including Télérama and Elle.

Genetics

Amrik Sahota was one of the instructors for the Molecular Pathology Outreach Course at the Association for Molecular Pathology (AMP) meeting in Long Beach, CA, (October 2012). At the meeting, he served as one of the judges for the young investigator awards; presented a poster on the detection of minimal residual disease in leukemia; and served in the organizing committee for the genetics program for the AMP meeting.

Jay Tischfield was featured in the NJ Biz.com article “Advocacy group, Rutgers, partner to facilitate research” by Jared Kaltwasser (October 15, 2012).
http://www.njbiz.com/article/20121015/NJBIZ01/121019898/Advocacy-group-Rutgers-partner-to-facilitate-research
Geography

Mark Barnes was accepted for membership in the 2012-2014 Minorities Striving and Pursuing Higher Degrees of Success (MS PHD’S) Professional Development Program in Earth System Science Cohort.

History

John Chambers was honored by a public history program on historians and World War II held at Fordham University Lincoln Center Campus on November 12, 2012. Sponsored by Fordham University Press, it honored the career of Professor Chambers and celebrated the Festschrift dedicated to him, entitled The United States and the Second World War: New Perspectives on Diplomacy, War, and the Home Front, published by Fordham University Press in Fall 2010.

Sarolta Takacs was selected (national competition) to participate in a Humanities High Performance Computing Collaboratory (summer and Fall 2012) for faculty who are conducting scholarship in the digital humanities. This collaboratory was funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities in collaboration with the University of Illinois’ Institute for Computing in Humanities, Arts, and Social Science and the University of South Carolina’s Center for Digital Humanities.

Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies

Yolanda Martínez-San Miguel (in collaboration with Anjali Nerlekar) organized a one-week visit of filmmaker and critic Patricia Mohammed (University of West Indies, Trinidad) to Rutgers to present her films, to visit two undergraduate classes and participate in the roundtable “Approaches to Critical Caribbean Studies.” November 27-29.

Camilla Stevens organized a week-long artistic residency with Jamaican theater artists Honor Ford-Smith, Eugene Williams, Carole Lawes, and Camille Turner.

Philosophy

The summer 2012 issue of Utilitas, a journal of moral philosophy, contained a symposium on Jeff McMahan’s 2009 book, Killing in War. There were three articles commenting on the book, two by philosophers at Oxford and one by a law professor at the University of Warwick, followed by a response by McMahan.

Political Science

Ross Baker is a scholar in residence in the Office of the Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate, Jan 21-May 5, 2013. He is a member, Board of Contributors, USA TODAY. Professor Baker is the Faculty Director, “Inside Washington,” The Washington Center, Jan. 13-19, 2013. He has made ten appearances as commentator on “All Things Considered” and “Morning Edition,” National Public Radio.

Stephen Bronner was interviewed in the following print articles: “Interview with the Tehran Times” December 18, 2012; http://www.tehrantimes.com/opinion/104230-tehran-and-washington-will-finally-move-towardreconciliation-us-political-analyst-says; also in Countercurrents; www.countercurrents.org/ziabari191212.htm
http://kouroshziabari.com/2012/12/tensions-between-iran-and-the-u-s-will-not-exist-forever;
Interview: “Utopia and Reality” for Platypus
(12/1/2012); http://platypus1917.org/2012/12/01/utopia-and-reality-an-interview-with-stephen-eric-bronner/;
“Interview: Modernism at the Barricades” for Biblioklept September 25, 2012;
http://biblioklept.org/tag/stephen-eric-bronner; “On Assad” for Reader Supported News (June 11, 2012);
http://www.readersupportednews.org/opinion2/289-134/11871-rsn-feature-stephen-eric-bronner-assad-interview. Translated into Italian for Una Città 195 (June-July, 2012). He was invited to speak on her work on film and gender with Professor Birns for a 3-part series held at Grace Church to provide public discussion on the role of film and gender for September 2012. Professor Cornell has also been interviewed in recognition on her work on critical legal theory, race and gender on an upcoming film by Tao Ruspoli called “Monogomish?”

R. Daniel Kelemen was asked to offer commentary on BBC Radio 4, NJTV June 14, NJ Today, China Radio International’s Today Show, December 3, 2012.

Mona Lena Krook served as a consultant to the Supreme Federal Electoral Court and Mexico City District Electoral Court. She conducted a workshop for court officials and researchers on October 18, 2012, on “Gender Equality in Elections: Mexico in Global Perspective.” On October 19, 2012, she was a keynote speaker at a day-long conference for judges and court staff in celebration of the anniversary of women’s right to vote in Mexico. She also made a presentation on “Tools and Mechanisms for Increasing Women’s Representation in Politics” for a seminar on constitutional reform and equal representation organized by KA. DER (the Association for the Support of Women Candidates) in Istanbul, Turkey, January 19, 2013. She also wrote a report on “Gender and Elections: Temporary Special Measures Beyond Quotas,” on the full range of policy options available to promote gender parity in elections. The paper was commissioned by the Conflict Prevention and Peace Forum of the Social Science Research Council for the Electoral Affairs Division of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs, New York, NY, December 2012-January 2013.


Psychology

Elizabeth Torres’ research on autism spectrum disorders has been featured by the Society for Neuroscience on the Simons Foundation site; Rutgers Today; and at the Star Ledger.

Sociology


Karen Cerulo was quoted in Kara Yorio's Record/Herald News story “Facebook Puts a New Face on Grieving in Wake of School Shooting.” (December 18).

Deborah Carr discussed Baby Boomer divorce on the NPR show “2 Boomer Babes” (December 15) and discussed midlife crises on the CBC radio program “The Current” (December 7).

Neha Gondal accepted a tenure-track assistant professor position in the departments of sociology and communication at the Ohio State University.

Paul Hirschfield was quoted in and his work was featured in Lawrence Hardy's article, “Unequal Justice” in the American School Board Journal (December). http://www.asbj.com/MainMenuCategory/Archive/2012/December/Unequal-School-Justice.html


Spanish and Portuguese

Liliana Sánchez is visiting the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú as the “Franklin Pease García Irigoyen” professorship (Fall 2012).