Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy

20th Anniversary Celebration
1992-2012

January 2012
Tuesday 24  6:00 pm  Alumni panel discussion (social and education policy)
Thursday 26  4:00 pm  Ph.D. colloquium: Ana Baptista, The New School, “PhD to Non-Profit: A Post-Doctoral Career Outside of Academia”

February 2012
Thursday 2  4:00 pm  Faculty research presentation: Carl Van Horn and William Rodgers “Influencing National Labor Economics from the Inside and the Outside”
Thursday 9  7:00 pm  Alumni/Student mixer (New York City)
Monday 13  4:00 pm  Ph.D. colloquium: Ted Koebel, Virginia Tech, “A Rutgers Planning Career Backwards and Forwards”
Wednesday 15  6:00 pm  Alumni panel discussion (environmental/urban design/sustainability)
Tuesday 21  4:00 pm  Robert A. Carlin lecture: Susan Fainstein, “Planning for the Just City”

March 2012
Thursday 1  7:00 pm  Alumni/Student mixer (Philadelphia)
Monday 5  4:00 pm  Faculty research presentation: Robert Noland and Robert Burchell “Pedestrians in New Jersey”
Thursday 8  9:00 am  Krueckeborg Doctoral Conference
Tuesday 20  6:00 pm  Alumni panel discussion (economics/finance/state and local government)
Thursday 29  4:00 pm  Faculty research presentation: Stuart Shapiro “Analysis and Public Policy: When Will They Start Listening?”

April 2012
Monday 2  4:00 pm  Ph.D. colloquium: Marla Nelson, University of New Orleans, “Recovery in a Shrinking City: Challenges to “Rightsizing” Post-Katrina New Orleans”
Thursday 5  7:00 pm  Alumni/Student mixer (New Brunswick)
Tuesday 10  6:00 pm  Alumni panel discussion (international development)
Thurs.-Fri. 26-27  TBA  Symposium: Planning Healthy, Sustainable Communities
Thursday 26  6:00 pm  Anniversary Recognition Dinner
Saturday 28  6:00 pm  Rutgers Day – Bloustein Bicycle Trek (Busch to Douglass)

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The Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, established and approved by the Rutgers University Board of Governors in 1992, serves as one of the nation’s key centers for the theory and practice of planning and public policy scholarship and analysis. With its urban planning program ranked third nationally, and its public policy program recently accredited, the Bloustein School is committed to a rebirth of the public service ethic in the United States. The ethic focuses on good civic design in its broadest sense, encompassing such endeavors as housing, transportation, workforce development, public health, economic development, ecological balance, and social justice for the disadvantaged. The school supports a wide variety of educational activities, including undergraduate, masters and doctoral degree programs, continuing education and conferences for professionals and alumni, and a range of research centers focused on major planning and policy issues.

Edward J. Bloustein was the 17th president of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from New York University and received his law and Ph.D. degrees from Cornell. After teaching at NYU and serving as President of Bennington College, he was appointed President of Rutgers in 1971, forty years ago.

Under Edward J. Bloustein’s presidency, Rutgers advanced to achieve distinction as one of the major public research universities in the nation, and was invited in 1989 to join 56 other prestigious academic institutions that make up the Association of American Universities. This was the same year in which Dr. Bloustein passed away.

The establishment of the School of Planning and Public Policy was one of Dr. Bloustein’s last acts as president, and it was named in his honor in 1992. Citing his leadership in establishing partnerships among the university, state, and private sector as well as his great involvement in the public service mission of the university, the Rutgers Board of Governors noted that he often spoke of the need for a school to serve local and state public policy concerns and of the importance of community service as part of a liberal education.

For location information, please visit policy.rutgers.edu/anniversary/