

Greetings!

Congratulations on your recent admission to the Bloustein School! Looking back to last year, I remember the feeling of accomplishment at receiving an invitation to join what I believe to be one of the finest graduate programs in the nation. I also remember having a lot of questions – What is the program like? What is it like living in New Brunswick? Are the students happy?

I found the answers to these questions and more when I visited the school at the Admitted Students Open House last spring. To that end, I'd like to extend to you a personal invitation to join us this year on April 4th. During the Open House, you'll have a chance to find out specifics about your respective academic program, talk to professors, administrators and students, and get a feel for the Bloustein community and the graduate student lifestyle.

Faculty and staff will be available throughout the day, presenting their research and making themselves available to you to answer any questions you have about our classes and concentrations. Additional sessions will focus on the specifics of our programs' structures, and we will also offer a short "local livability" tour in downtown New Brunswick.

The schedule for the Open House as well as other pertinent information can be found online at: <http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/graduate/prospective/graduate-open-house/>

Please send your RSVP for this event to Zoe Linder-Baptie and Thalya Reyes, our student recruiters, no later than Tuesday, March 28th to let us know if you'll be attending. Please send your RSVP's to openhouse@ejb.rutgers.edu. Please feel free to contact Zoe and Thalya as well for any questions you may have.

Once again, congratulations on your admission to the program! I look forward to meeting you in person very soon.

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