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Welcome New Students

Congratulations on your admission to the Urban Planning and Policy Development Program of the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy. We are looking forward to another exciting academic year.

I write to welcome you and to provide information that will ease your transition into the graduate program. You can find much of this information at the graduate student portal: <https://bloustein.rutgers.edu/students/welcome-spring/>

I would like to call your attention especially to the following academic items:

Orientation

Orientation will begin January 6, 2021.

Academic Advising

Shortly we will post a list of students and academic advisors. You can contact your advisor over the winter as you plan your Spring course schedule. Please also plan to meet with your advisor after orientation.

As you consider courses, please consult the MCRP Concentrations document that describes each concentration and the required and recommended courses in it; Methods Sequence flowchart, and information about certificates and our dual degree programs. Contact your academic advisor, concentration coordinator, or certificate advisors if you have any questions. Please feel free to reach out to me with any additional questions.

Methods Placement

If you have taken courses in basic statistics and or Geographic Information systems, please review the placement processes outlined in the methods placement memo.

We are looking forward to meeting you in the Spring. If you have any academic questions before then, please feel free to contact me at knewman@rutgers.edu.

Sincerely,

Kathe Newman Program
Director