

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 participated in the Admitted Students Virtual Open House last spring. To that end, I'd like to extend to you a personal invitation to join us this year on March 31<sup>st</sup>. 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 on Open House, 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, funding support for admitted students, housing information for both on and off campus options, career services support and student life.

The schedule for the Open House as well as other pertinent information can be found online [here](#).

Please send your RSVP for this event to Nisha Desai or Benjamin Nechmad, our Student Recruiters, no later than Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> to let us know if you'll be attending. Please send your RSVP's to [openhouse@ejb.rutgers.edu](mailto:openhouse@ejb.rutgers.edu). Please feel free to contact Nisha and Ben as well for any questions you may have.

As President of the Bloustein Graduate Student Association (BGSA), please know that we at the BGSA share your same concerns around attending graduate school, especially in the midst of a global pandemic. BGSA is here to provide a voice for the Bloustein School's graduate student population for all of your concerns.

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

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