COURSE NAME; NUMBER; SEMESTER; MEETING DAYS, TIMES, AND PLACE.
Interdisciplinary Honors Seminar: Tracing the Raritan
11:573:296:01         Fall 2021  Fridays, 1pm- 4pm  Room 148 Blake Hall

CONTACT INFORMATION:
Instructor(s): JeanMarie Hartman, Ph.D.
Office Location: Room 119 Blake Hall
Phone: 848.932.8488                Email: jeanmarie.hartman@rutgers.edu
Office Hours: Hours by appointment, please request via email or CANVAS.

COURSE WEBSITE, RESOURCES AND MATERIALS:
• We will be using CANVAS, watch your Rutgers email for information.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
How is the Raritan more than a river? How can we describe its geology, geography, economy, culture etc.? This class explores the many layers of information that we need to understand a place. Students will use a variety of explorations to characterize the Raritan, with histories, geometries, human populations, and attitudes all tied together with water.

COURSE SCHEDULE: This is a draft. I am arranging for visiting lectures.

Sept. 3   Introductions – What is a watershed and how do they work?
Sept. 10  The Raritan River Overview
Sept. 17  Special Collections at Alexander Library
Sept. 24  Guest speaker: Heather Fenyk, Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership
Oct. 1    Raritan River Field Trip
Oct. 8    Historic Raritan basin
Oct. 15   Literature Discussion OR (alternate date for Raritan River Field Trip if there is a problem with the field trip on the 1st)
Oct. 22   Historic Raritan Basin Literature Discussion
Oct. 29   TBD – field trip or guest lecture and discussion
Nov. 5    TBD – guest lecture and discussion
Nov. 12   TBD -guest lecture and discussion
Nov. 19   Project progress reports and Discussion
Nov. 26   Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 3    Student Final Presentations
Dec. 10   Student Final Presentations
Dec. 13   Last day of classes for the semester
Dec. 18   Final Project Report Due in CANVAS by 8AM

Other Useful Dates
Sept. 8   Last Day to withdraw without a W
Sept. 14  Last Day to withdraw completely and get 100% refund
Oct. 4    Winter Session registration begins
Nov. 8    Spring Schedule Available online
Nov. 22   Last Day to Withdraw from University for the Fall term 2021
Nov. 29   Change of class designation – Wednesday Classes meet
Dec. 13   Last day of classes for the semester
Dec. 14-15  Reading Days
Dec. 16-23  Final Exam Period

LEARNING GOALS:
Program Goal: Students will develop the skills to interpret science, technology, and cultural context to critique, design, and to envision and develop innovative solutions in sustainability, land stewardship, and other contemporary urban challenges.

Learning Objectives
• Students gain an understanding of environmental principles that apply to place.
• Students gain a working knowledge of environmental literature.
• Students will integrate knowledge of physical sciences, natural sciences, social sciences and humanities.

ASSIGNMENTS/RESPONSIBILITIES & ASSESSMENT:
• Students will be responsible for completing assigned readings before class.
• Students will turn in assignments by due dates.
• Students will conduct one major team project.
• Students will conduct one major individual project.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
Please follow the procedures outlined at https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/registration-form. Full policies and procedures are at https://ods.rutgers.edu/

ABSENCE POLICY
Students are expected to attend all classes; if you expect to miss one or two classes, please use the University absence reporting website https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/ to indicate the date and reason for your absence. An email is automatically sent to me.

Students will be expected to make up work on a timeline set in a meeting with the instructor soon after (within a week) their absence.

This class will employ an active classroom model. Attendance and participation are critical for this style of learning.

FINAL EXAM/PAPER DATE AND TIME
Online Final exam Schedule: http://finalexams.rutgers.edu/
18 December  Final Project Report Due in Canvas by 8AM
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY
The university's policy on Academic Integrity is available at http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/academic-integrity-policy. The principles of academic integrity require that a student:
- properly acknowledge and cite all use of the ideas, results, or words of others.
- properly acknowledge all contributors to a given piece of work.
- make sure that all work submitted as his or her own in a course or other academic activity is produced without the aid of impermissible materials or impermissible collaboration.
- obtain all data or results by ethical means and report them accurately without suppressing any results inconsistent with his or her interpretation or conclusions.
- treat all other students in an ethical manner, respecting their integrity and right to pursue their educational goals without interference. This requires that a student neither facilitate academic dishonesty by others nor obstruct their academic progress.
- uphold the canons of the ethical or professional code of the profession for which he or she is preparing.

Adherence to these principles is necessary in order to ensure that
- everyone is given proper credit for his or her ideas, words, results, and other scholarly accomplishments.
- all student work is fairly evaluated and no student has an inappropriate advantage over others.
- the academic and ethical development of all students is fostered.
- the reputation of the University for integrity in its teaching, research, and scholarship is maintained and enhanced.

Failure to uphold these principles of academic integrity threatens both the reputation of the University and the value of the degrees awarded to its students. Every member of the University community therefore bears a responsibility for ensuring that the highest standards of academic integrity are upheld.
STUDENT WELLNESS SERVICES

Just In Case Web App  [http://codu.co/cee05e](http://codu.co/cee05e)
Access helpful mental health information and resources for yourself or a friend in a mental health crisis on your smartphone or tablet and easily contact CAPS or RUPD.

Counseling, ADAP & Psychiatric Services (CAPS)
(848) 932-7884 / 17 Senior Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901/ [www.rhscaps.rutgers.edu](http://www.rhscaps.rutgers.edu/)
CAPS is a University mental health support service that includes counseling, alcohol and other drug assistance, and psychiatric services staffed by a team of professional within Rutgers Health services to support students’ efforts to succeed at Rutgers University. CAPS offers a variety of services that include: individual therapy, group therapy and workshops, crisis intervention, referral to specialists in the community and consultation and collaboration with campus partners.

Violence Prevention & Victim Assistance (VPVA)
(848) 932-1181 / 3 Bartlett Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 / [www.vpva.rutgers.edu](http://www.vpva.rutgers.edu/)
The Office for Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance provides confidential crisis intervention, counseling and advocacy for victims of sexual and relationship violence and stalking to students, staff and faculty. To reach staff during office hours when the university is open or to reach an advocate after hours, call 848-932-1181.

Disability Services
(848) 445-6800 / Lucy Stone Hall, Suite A145, Livingston Campus, 54 Joyce Kilmer Avenue, Piscataway, NJ 08854 / [https://ods.rutgers.edu](https://ods.rutgers.edu/)
Rutgers University welcomes students with disabilities into all of the University's educational programs. In order to receive consideration for reasonable accommodations, a student with a disability must contact the appropriate disability services office at the campus where you are officially enrolled, participate in an intake interview, and provide documentation: [https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/documentation-guidelines](https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/documentation-guidelines). If the documentation supports your request for reasonable accommodations, your campus’s disability services office will provide you with a Letter of Accommodations. Please share this letter with your instructors and discuss the accommodations with them as early in your courses as possible. To begin this process, please complete the Registration form on the ODS web site at: [https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/registration-form](https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/registration-form).

Scarlet Listeners
(732) 247-5555 / [http://www.scarletlisteners.com](http://www.scarletlisteners.com/)
Free and confidential peer counseling and referral hotline, providing a comforting and supportive safe space.