Democratic Engagement Between Universities & Communities

“… we have taken democracy for granted … it has to be enacted anew in every generation, in every year and day, in the living relations of person to person in all social forms and institutions.”
John Dewey, 1937

“It is our choice how we craft the narrative after Charlottesville. Are we prepared to become the architects of the future we imagine, one that leverages a diverse, democratic society?”
Lewis & Cantor, Huffington Post, August 21, 2017

Nancy Cantor
Chancellor
Rutgers University-Newark

The Power of Civic Engagement – Across Campus, Within Communities, Beyond Borders
AAC&U Pre-Conference Symposium
January 24, 2018
“The bulk of the monument building took place not in the immediate aftermath of the Civil War but from the close of the 19th century into the second decade of the 20th ... this enterprise was part and parcel of the initiation of legally mandated segregation and widespread disenfranchisement across the South ... Events in Charlottesville and elsewhere indicate that these symbols of white supremacy are still being invoked for similar purposes.”

Statement on Confederate Monuments, AHA, August 28, 2017
“We stay away from the interpersonal level where bigotry implicates us all ... we are stunned when something happens to awaken that resting, hibernating bigotry.”

Rupert Nacoste
Change Makers

**DACA Advocacy Day**
**Thursday September 7th**

Join the Rutgers Newark SGA as we rally around our DACA students.

**Timeline:**
- 11am-5pm: Come out to our table on student street to send a letter to Congress. Also we would have boards for you to write notes of encouragement to your fellow DACA students.
- WHERE: Paul Robeson Student Street
- 5:30-8pm: Reflection/Open Discussion
- WHERE: Paul Robeson DANCE ROOM Room 351

**#WESTANDWITHDACA**

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**#NOMUSLIMBAN**

March Against the Muslim Ban
Wednesday February 1st
2:30 PM to 3:50 PM
Samuels Plaza, RU-Newark

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**Stand in Solidarity**

with students against racial and institutional discrimination!

**Wednesday, 11/18**
**Norman Samuel's Plaza**
**4PM - 7PM**

**#MIZZOU**
**#WERMIZZOU**
Express Newark

- Shine: A Portrait Studio
- Community Media Center
- Design Consortium
- Art Gallery
- Book Arts Studio
- 2D/3D Printing Studio
- Newest Americans
- Writers @ Newark
- Institute of Jazz Studies exhibits

Hahne & Co. Building

Partners
NJPAC, WBGO, Newark Museum, Aliira, Newark Print Shop, Talking Eyes Media, VII documentary collective

Students mentored by local photographers at Shine Portrait Studio

Wednesday Night Print Club:
All U Can Print $10

Pathways to Achievement & Success students learn 3D Design

The next generation of printmakers
Empathetic Citizenship

BRIDGING THE TWO AMERICAS
EMPLOYMENT & ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY IN NEWARK & BEYOND

NEWEST AMERICANS
We Came and Stayed: Coyt Jones/Ras Baraka

American Sueño
A series investigating how different immigration statuses are producing different life options and limits within a single Mexican-American family

From Where I Stand
Audio essays created by students in a Narrative Journalism class in response to the prompt “From Where I Stand...”

AAC&U Strategic Initiative
TRUTH, RACIAL HEALING & TRANSFORMATION (TRHT) CAMPUS CENTERS
Preparing the Next Generation of Leaders to Advance Justice and Build Equitable Communities
Supported by Newman’s Own Foundation and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation
“Achieving a connected society does not require that individuals shed cultural specificity. Instead it requires that we scrutinize how institutions build social connections with a view to ensuring that there are multiple, overlapping pathways connecting the full range of communities in a country to one another. The ideal of a connected society contrasts to an idea of integration through-assimilation by orienting us toward becoming a community of communities.”

Danielle Allen
“If you truly want to understand something, try to change it.”
Kurt Lewin

“We believe that all human beings – regardless of race, ethnicity, class, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or citizenship status – have a right to education… Regardless of where people are born or what borders they may cross, human beings have rights by virtue of their humanity that can never be taken away.”
Collective Impact

“Neighbor is not a geographic term. It is a moral concept. It means our collective responsibility for the preservation of man’s dignity and integrity.”

Newark Rabbi Joachim Prinz
March on Washington, 1963

Anchor Institutions Task Force

A flattening, shrinking world has made interdependence a reality of the twenty-first century ... we know that, in any major city, wide networks – government, universities, corporations, hospitals, community-based organizations, and others – are required to forge a vibrant environment ... strong partnerships are necessary in order to effect significant positive change.
Community-Engaged Science

African American Brain Health Initiative

Mark Gluck

Ambassadors: Retired African American Nurses

Research team

Scholars: RU-N students from Newark

Community Advisory Board

Pioneers: Newark high school students
Strong, Safe Neighborhoods

The Safer Newark Council's mission is to reduce violent crime in Newark by 20% by 2020.

Legend
Violence 2016
Low
Medium
High

Newark Community Street Team

Greater Newark Youth Violence Consortium
Educational Attainment

60+ partners incl. City of Newark, Newark Public Schools, higher ed & nonprofits aiming to:

- Expand & strengthen K-16 educational pathways
- Re-engage disconnected youth
- Retain college grads
- Re-engage adult learners
- University-Assisted Community Schools

RU-N to the TOP
Last-in, full-tuition scholarships for students with adjusted gross incomes of $60,000 or less who are Newark residents or NJ county college transfers
Anchored Locally, Resonating Globally

Global Migrant Project, Malta

Delivering solar kits, Nicaragua

Shabazz High School Solar Project