



## ANNUAL MUTUAL MENTORING SYMPOSIUM

Hageman Hall, New Brunswick Theological Seminary  
Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

- 10:00- 10:05 am      **Welcome & Opening Remarks:** Dr. Enobong (Anna) Branch  
*Senior Vice President for Equity and Professor of Sociology, Rutgers University*
- 10:05 – 10:15      **Year 2 MM Grant Overview:** Dr. Sangeeta Rao, *Faculty Diversity Collaborative (FDC)*
- 10:15– 10:45      **Panel 1: Fostering Collaborative Networks**  
*Moderator: Dr. Corinne Castro, FDC*
- Cross-Cultural and Cross-linguistic Excellence & Enrichment in Research (CrEER)  
*Dr. Laura Ramirez Polo & Dr. Kendra Dickinson*  
HOPE Clinic Mutual Mentoring: *Dr. Andrew Lynch & Dr. Frederick Coffman*  
RUTgers-NEtwork of Women FACulty in Engineering (RU-NEWFACE): *Dr. Annalisa Scacchioli*  
Mutual Peer Mentoring in Nursing Education: *Dr. Dione Sandiford & Dr. Annie Pajaro*
- 10:50 – 11:20      **Panel 2: Combatting Isolation in the Academy**  
*Moderator: Dr. Sangeeta Rao, FDC*
- RU-Newark Caregivers Task Force: *Dr. Catherine Clepper & Dr. Alex Seggerman*  
Bridge: Beloved community of Rutgers Inspiring Diversity and Growth in Extension  
*Dr. Amy Rowe*  
Division of Life Sciences NTT Faculty Group: *Dr. Anne Carr-Schmid & Dr. Patricia Morton*  
U-Soar (Untenured Faculty - Sense of belonging, Openmindedness, Advocacy, Retention)  
*Dr. Sheila Tabanli & Dr. Crystal Akers*
- 11:25 –11:50      **Spotlight: Building Community through Peer-Networks**
- LGBTQIA+ Faculty Affinity Network (FAN): *Dr. Troy Roepke*  
Black Women Affinity FAN: *Dr. Lynnette Mawhinney*  
Transnational Scholars FAN: *Dr. Selin Bengi Gümrükçü*  
Disability, Accessibility, Inclusion FAN: *Dr. Rachel Derr*  
NTT Faculty FAN: *Dr. Jenny Yang*
- 11:50 -12:00 pm      **Q&A with Audience**
- 12:00 – 12:30      **Lunch and Networking**



## **2024 Mutual Mentoring Team Grant Awardees**

### **Rutgers-NETwork of Women FACulty in Engineering (RU-NEWFACE)**

Annalisa Scacchioli, Kimberly Cook- Chennault, Nicole Fahrenfeld, Lisa Klein, Nina Shapley, Maria Striki, Maribel Vazquez, Elin Wicks

### **Division of Life Sciences NTT Faculty Group**

Cassandra Nelson, Anne Carr-Schmid, Tara Cominski, Monica Torres, Patricia Morton, Gabe Villegas, Doreen Glodowski-Trotta, Mai Soliman

### **RU-N Caregivers Task Force**

Catherine Clepper, Kristina Keating, Alex Dika Seggerman, and Kate Brown

### **Promoting Supportive Network Through Mutual Peer Mentoring**

Dione Sandiford, Monina Franco-Tantuico, Rowena Curva, and Annie Pajaro

### **If You Build It: Managing Large Scale Events in the Public Humanities (RU-IYBI)**

Elena Lahr-Vivaz, Jennifer Austin, Lacey Hunter, Maria Kennedy, and Stephanie Rodriguez

### **MoneyRx: Empowering Junior Attendings with Financial Health through Mutual Mentoring**

Jill Ripper, MD; Anthony Rosania, MD; Ronald Ikechi, MD; Samantha Lleras, MD; and Sarah Dunn, MD

### **Cross-cultural and Cross-linguistic Excellence and Enrichment in Research (CrEER)**

Laura Ramirez Polo, Manuel E. Jimenez, Kendra Dickinson, Karen T. D'Alonzo, and Zorimar Rivera-Núñez

### **Sis, You Good?**

Lynnette Mawhinney, Carla Murphy, Laura Porterfield and Jhanae Wingfield

### **HOPE Clinic Mutual Mentoring**

Rahul Mittal, Frederick D. Coffman, Andrew D. Lynch, and Celeste Domsch

### **Bridge: Beloved Community of Rutgers Inspiring Diversity and Growth in Extension**

Amy Rowe, Sara Elnakib, Ruth Carl, Kathleen Howell, Jennifer Shukaitis, Matthew Newman

### **U-SOAR (Untenured Faculty - Sense of belonging, Open-mindedness, Advocacy, Retention)**

Sheila Tabanli, Crystal Akers, Selin Bengi Gümrükçü, Lena Sandberg-Golden, Courtney Sobers, Mike Woodbury, and Laura Silverstein

### **Asian American STEM Affinity Group**

Suchismita Ray, Vaishali Singhal, Weili Liu, Zhaomeng Niu, Tammy Chung, Susie Chan, Juane Jia, Lena Sandberg Golden, and Courtney Sobers

### **Diverse Leaders in Biomedical Sciences (DLBS)**

Victoria Eugenia Guadalupe Abaira, Brian Daniels, Santiago Cuesta, Natasha O'Brown, Zhaomeng Niu, and Tammy Chung

### **The Social Science Squad (SSS): Bringing a Global Lens to the WEIRD Problem**

Yoon Kang, Tamara Nelson, Andrew Abeyta and Julio Alicea

## **2024 Mutual Mentoring Individual Grant Awardees**

**Ebony Ruhland**, Associate Professor at Rutgers–Newark, Criminal Justice

**Evelyn Arana**, Assistant Professor at Rutgers Health, Medicine

**Jiawei Sophia Fu**, Assistant Professor at Rutgers–New Brunswick, Communication

**Joanelle Bailey**, Assistant Professor at Rutgers Health, Surgery

**Kevin L. Clay**, Assistant Professor at Rutgers–New Brunswick, Educational Theory, Policy, and Administration

**Umer Hassan**, Assistant Professor at Rutgers–New Brunswick, Electrical and Computer Engineering

**Valerie Jones Taylor**, Associate Professor at Rutgers–New Brunswick, Psychology