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Three Rutgers-Camden Students Receive State Department Scholarships

The students will study languages critical to the nation's economic and security interests.

Camden, NJ – April 3, 2025: Three Rutgers University–Camden students have been awarded Critical Language Scholarships by the U.S. Department of State. This program provides funding and support to study a foreign language identified as critical to the nation's economic and security interests.

The Rutgers–Camden students chosen for the Summer 2025 cohort are:

- Amy Glasser, a master of public administration (MPA) student, will study Swahili in Tanzania;
- Jonathan Pamel, also an MPA student, will study Russian in either Latvia or Kyrgyzstan;
- Aubre Black, a first-year undergraduate majoring in art, will study Korean through an immersive virtual course.

Critical Language Scholarships cover approximately one academic year of university-level language coursework during an eight- to ten-week summer program. Formal classroom language instruction is provided for a minimum of 15 hours per week, with cultural activities and excursions planned outside of that time to expand the student's understanding of the history, politics, and daily life of the host country.

The Rutgers—Camden Office of Scholar Development and Fellowship Advising, part of the Division of Student Academic Success, is committed to empowering current students and alumni through strategic planning, advice, and resources for those interested in pursuing graduate education and funded award opportunities that bolster their long-term academic and professional goals.

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About Rutgers University-Camden

Rutgers University—Camden is a hub of academic excellence and innovation, consistently ranked among the nation's top public colleges and universities. Proudly recognized as one of the safest campuses in the region, the university is located in the "eds and meds" district of Camden, NJ—a city known for its cultural and historic attractions, vibrant arts community, renowned healthcare institutions, and headquarters of internationally recognized corporations. The campus offers a welcoming and engaging learning environment for undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students. Just minutes from Center City Philadelphia—home to a thriving business district and a dynamic cultural scene—the campus also benefits from an array of transportation options for easy access in and around the city.

Home to approximately 6,000 students and more than 1,500 faculty and staff, Rutgers—Camden fosters a close-knit academic community where students enjoy the resources of a world-class research institution. Motivated scholars collaborate with world-renowned faculty, creating an environment defined by discovery and support.

As one of four chancellor-led units in the Rutgers University system, Rutgers—Camden is celebrated as a national model for civically engaged urban universities, earning the prestigious Community Engagement status from the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. With its classification as an R2 research university, the campus contributes groundbreaking scholarship and creative output on a global scale.

Ranked among *Washington Monthly's* "Best Bang for the Buck" universities, Rutgers University–Camden offers an exceptional environment for intellectual growth, community engagement, and personal achievement, empowering students to reach their highest potential.