

Division of Life Sciences - Spring 2021



It has been quite a year—redefining what research and teaching looks like amidst the pandemic. Despite the challenges, our departments have been busy with conducting novel research, designing new courses, and figuring out creative ways to better connect and teach our students through a virtual format. I invite you to read up on the exciting news taking place in our division. The below is but a snippet, for more updates, be sure to follow us on our social media!

Lori R. Covey
Dean of Life Sciences



Faculty Spotlight

We recently held a two day research symposium featuring our new faculty in DLS to learn about different areas and build research connections across the Rutgers scientific community. [Read more](#)



Staff Spotlight

Anabell C. Williams, Divisional Director of Administration, and **Sean O'Leary**, Veterinary Research Technician, received the **School of Arts and Sciences Staff COVID-19 Response Award** for demonstrating extraordinary effort to maintain critical operations while supporting the academic mission of the school. [Read more](#)



Biological Sciences

From the Real World to Virtual: How do we create research remotely? Read about the process of creating the online version of Bio Research Lab. [Read more](#)



Cell Biology and Neuroscience

Frederric Kelada, Cell Biology and Neuroscience major, cofounded the first undergraduate research journal to publish student papers from all academic disciplines. “It seemed to be a huge miss for Rutgers to be such a big research school and not to have an undergraduate research journal.” [Read more](#)



Genetics

The Genetic Counseling Masters Program was granted full program accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling (ACGC) for six years! To learn more about the program, [Read more](#).



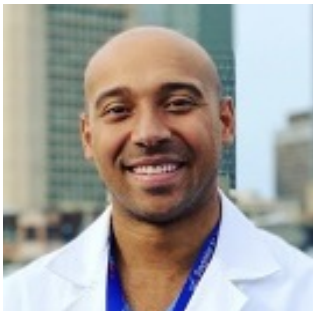
Kinesiology and Health

Faculty Spotlight: Meet Professor Steven Malin, joining us from The University of Virginia. Learn about his interesting path to academia, stemming from receiving a grant as an undergraduate, and his research on exercise as a pharmacological agent. [Read more](#)



Molecular Biology and Biochemistry

Research during COVID-19: After decades of investigating the molecular mysteries behind aging and disease, **Monica Driscoll** last spring faced a puzzling new problem. How would her team of nearly two dozen researchers - comprising one of Rutgers University's largest and most prominent science labs - continue its work during COVID-19? [Read more](#)



Office for Diversity and Academic Success in the Sciences (ODASIS)

ODASIS Alum brings COVID-19 VACCINES to the needy. The Boston Globe highlighted the work of Alister Martin, an emergency physician who developed a system for delivering Covid-19 vaccines to residents of housing for the elderly and disabled. Martin was a biology major at Rutgers and an alum for the Office of Diversity and Academic Success in the Sciences (ODASIS). [Read more](#)



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