

# Campus Update Monday, December 3, 2018



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## Alternative Spring Break Information Session

Do you have plans for spring break yet? Consider spending your spring break in service to others. The Office of Community Engagement will be hosting the 2nd Annual "Mercy in the City" spring break experience from March 11-15, 2019.

### Info Sessions

When: Dec. 3-7

Time: 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Where: McGovern Lounge



## TIAA Offering Individual Retirement Counseling

**Attention Faculty and Staff:** TIAA will offer individual retirement counseling for USJ employees on **Dec. 13, 2018**, 8 a.m.– 5 p.m., Mercy Hall, Room 338 main campus.

To schedule an appointment: Call the TIAA office in Hamden, 866.842.2051 X252403

**Questions?** Contact Lisa Peruccio, Benefits Administrator at [lperuccio@usj.edu](mailto:lperuccio@usj.edu) or at 860.231.5509

## DNP Project Presentation

The Department of Nursing welcomes the campus community to attend the DNP Project Presentation of Eric Beck on **Friday, Dec. 14, 10-11 a.m. in McDonough 310**. This project is entitled, "Metabolic Screening in Antipsychotic Pharmacotherapy: A Quality Improvement Project."

**Questions?** Contact Yvonne Joy at [yjoy@usj.edu](mailto:yjoy@usj.edu) or 860.231.5258.

## Community Forum for Staff & Faculty

The second Community Forum of the 2018-19 academic year will take place on **Friday, Jan. 11, from 9 – 10 a.m.** in the Hoffman Auditorium of the Bruyette Athenaeum. President Rhona Free and members of the administration will provide faculty and staff with University updates. Additionally, new employees will be introduced and time will be provided for announcements.

**After the Forum, you are invited to a welcome reception for:**

- Rayna Dyton-White, Director of Diversity and Inclusion/Title IX Coordinator
- Derrick McBride, Director of Public Safety; and
- Melanie Sinche, Director of the Career Development Center



It will be held in the lobby of Lynch Hall, from 10 – 11 a.m., and is sponsored by these offices:

And finally, please mark your calendars for the final Community Forum of the year, which will be held Monday, May 6 (and will include the Employee Recognition event).

**Contact:** Ruth Foxman, executive assistant to the President/secretary to the Board of Trustees at [rfoxman@usj.edu](mailto:rfoxman@usj.edu) or 860.231.5221.

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## New Employees and Promotions

The following is information for New Hires/Rehires as of 11/30/2018:

Beverly Carter, Executive Administrative Assistant I, School of Pharmacy and Physician Assistant Studies

Brianna Colangelo, Teaching Assistant I, The Gengras Center

Darren Ayotte, Assistant Sports Information Coordinator, Athletics

Heather Steele, Administrative Assistant III, The Gengras Center

Krystal Garcia, Teaching Assistant/Licensed Practical Nurse, The Gengras Center

Liza Nascembeni, Case Manager, Student Affairs

Michelle Siew, DPH Grant - Educator III, Nutrition Department

Rachel Kovacs, Registration Assistant, Registrar's Office

The following is information for Promotions & Status Changes as of 11/30/2018:

Rose Clark, Development Associate, Institutional Advancement

Zanira Shabazz, Degree Audit Coordinator, Registrar's Office

Danielle Upton-Pepin, Human Resources Generalist, Human Resources

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## “Linking Learning, Belonging, and Community” at the Hartford Public Library

Serve as a volunteer Mentor/Tutor for immigrant high school students, who are recent arrivals to Hartford. Offer your support as they learn English and adjust to a new culture. These sessions are scheduled for Mondays, from 3:30–5 p.m. at the Hartford Public Library on 500 Main Street in Hartford.

**Questions?** Contact Michele Brophy, Instructional Specialist, at [mbrophy@hplct.org](mailto:mbrophy@hplct.org) or 860.803.3538.

## Live Stream USJ Bluejay Games

USJ Athletics stream all of the women's and men's home basketball games and select home games of volleyball, women's and men's soccer and lacrosse.



Fans can watch the games live, for free, on [www.portal.stretchinternet.com/usj](http://www.portal.stretchinternet.com/usj)

You can also hear the voice of USJ Men's Basketball and WTIC 1080AM - Joe D'Ambrosio - for all of the men's games and Trevor Biel (PxP) and Max Marino (Color) on the call for the women's games.

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## Mentoring Opportunity

Would you like to mentor a 5th grader from West Middle Community School? **ConnectiKids, Inc.** is an after school academic enhancement program for Hartford youth. Tutors work with student using a literacy-based curriculum and mentoring that helps students succeed in Hartford Public Schools. Mentoring sessions will take place on Wednesdays from 4:20–5:35 p.m. at USJ. Download the flyer [here](#).

**Questions?** Contact Liza Bocchichio [lbocchichio@usj.edu](mailto:lbocchichio@usj.edu) or 860.231.5202.

## Volunteer for Avenue of Dreams

The Connecticut Alliance of Foster and Adoptive Families is seeking volunteers for the **9th annual Avenue of Dreams prom event on March 9, 2019**, for at risk youth.

The positions we are currently looking to fill are as follows: Fairy Glam Mother, Shining Knights, Shoe Attendants, Dressing Room Attendants, Traffic Flow, and Sign-In and Registration.

**Questions?** Contact the outreach coordinator at 860.258.3400 or by e-mail at

## Interpretations Literary Magazine

Submissions welcome! Submit your poems, short stories and art work to [interpretations@usj.edu](mailto:interpretations@usj.edu) before Jan. 22, 2019.

Contact Senior Editor Sarah Keane at [skeane@usj.edu](mailto:skeane@usj.edu) or Faculty Advisor Catherine Hoysler at [choysler@usj.edu](mailto:choysler@usj.edu) with any questions.



## The Autorino Center for the Arts & Humanities

The beautiful 365-seat Hoffman Auditorium is the heart of USJ's arts center, where music, dance, theatre and more dazzle audiences from both the University and the surrounding area.

Like their [Facebook page](#) and visit [www.autorino.usj.edu](http://www.autorino.usj.edu) to stay up to date with their 2018-19 season "USJ Got Soul."



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## USJ Athletics: Discover the Latest News

Visit [www.usjbluejays.com](http://www.usjbluejays.com) and like [@usj\\_bluejays](#) on social media for more updates!

### **\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING O'Connell Center Closures\*\***

Saturday, Dec. 8 – The O'Connell Center Closed the Whole Day  
Monday, Dec. 10 – Visitor/general locker room closes at 5 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 15 – The O'Connell Center Closed 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

January – February's schedule will be posted in the beginning of December.

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