

RESEARCH & INNOVATION FELLOWSHIP



Orientation

Tuesday, December 3, 2024 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University-New Brunswick, Marybeth Gasman, Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Andres Castro Samayoa, Boston College

Facilitators will go over the focus, goals, and requirements for the program. Participants will introduce themselves and learn about each other's chosen "challenge."

Session 1: Design Thinking

Tuesday, January 28, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University-New Brunswick, Marybeth Gasman, Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Andres Castro Samavoa, Boston College

Participants will use design thinking to learn strategic and innovative ways to frame and solve contemporary challenges, drawing on best practices across different contexts.

Session 2: Participatory Action Research (PAR)

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University-New Brunswick, Marybeth Gasman, Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Cheron Davis. Florida A&M University

Participants will interview people at different levels of engagement in their chosen "challenge" and learn ways to genuinely include their questions, voices, and perspectives as they consider solutions.

Session 3: Inquiry-Based Learning

Tuesday, March 25, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Marybeth Gasman, Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Kent Wallace, Fisk University, Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Participants will develop prototype solutions to their individual challenges, through a cyclical process of inquiry, testing, observation, reflection, and back again to inquiry.

Workshop 4: Critical Evaluation Capital

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Marybeth Gasman Rutgers University-New Brunswick Participants will consider ways to assess the impact of their proposed solutions from the perspective of different stakeholder groups, considering the question: How is success defined and who benefits?

Workshop 5: Writing for Public Audiences

Tuesday, May 20th, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Facilitators: Marybeth Gasman Rutgers University-New Brunswick & Alice Ginsberg, Rutgers University-New Brunswick Participants will learn how to disseminate their findings in a way that is engaging and supports wide-spread public interest and "buv-in."

Capstone (assignment submission deadline)

Sunday, June 15, 2025 @ 7pm EST, 6pm CST, 4pm PST

Participants will submit and receive feedback on a short public policy brief, series of Op-Eds, or mini Ted Talk. Students who complete the program and submit a Capstone project will be eligible to receive a Rutgers University Digital Badge.





