

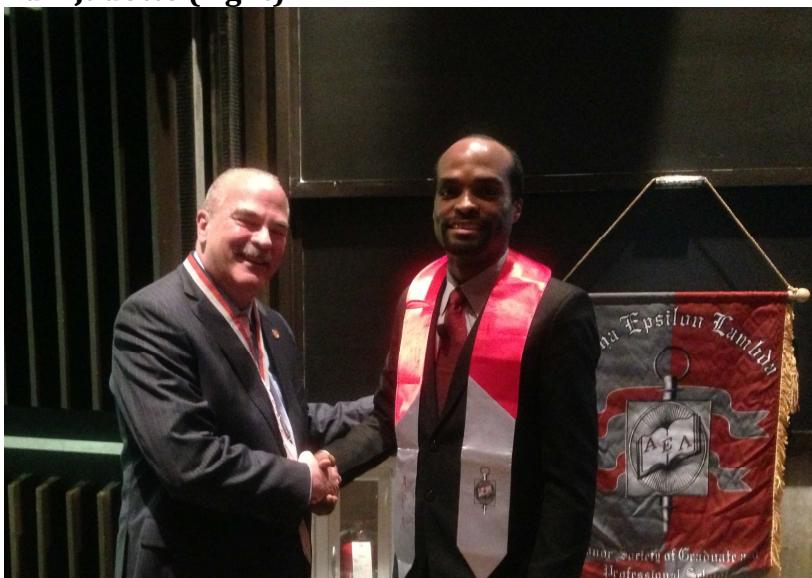
Featured Chapter – Alpha Chi, RBHS

The Rutgers Interprofessional Student Congress (RISC), under the auspices of the National Board of Alpha Epsilon Lambda, the Graduate and Professional Student Honor Society, hosted the founding induction ceremony for the Alpha Chi chapter of AEL on Saturday April 20th, 2013, at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Rutgers University-New Brunswick campus. The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences (RBHS) and the Rutgers School of Public Health Student Government Association also sponsored this event.

The Alpha Chi chapter of AEL at RBHS is already a nationally recognized success story. According to founding president **Yuri T. Jadotte M.D.**, Urban Systems PhD student, Rutgers Class of 2015, it is the *first interprofessional honor society in the nation (i.e. inclusive of graduate students from all the biomedical and health science disciplines)*, and had the *largest number of founding members and the highest initial membership approval rate of any chapter in the organization's 23-year history!* 66 students were inducted into the honor society for its founding year, with members hailing from all the health disciplines, including medicine, nursing, public health, dentistry, and allied health sciences! **Professor D. Anthony Forrester Ph.D., R.N., ANEF** received the AEL Medallion as the guest speaker for the ceremony.

Furthermore, the names of all current members were published in the May 2013 issue of **THE SCOPE**, the student voice of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Science, a publication distributed to over 7,000 biomedical and health sciences students in the state of New Jersey. RBHS students are proud to finally have their very own chapter of AEL!

Picture 1. Guest speaker D. Anthony Forrester (left) and founding president Yuri Jadotte (right).



Picture 2. Spring 2013 Inductee James Rankin (left), of the New Jersey Medical School at Rutgers University, being greeted by founding president Yuri Jadotte (right).



Picture 3. Panoramic view of the 2012-2013 membership of AEL at Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences and their families at the April 20, 2013 induction ceremony.



Congratulations to the charter members of the AEL Alpha Chi chapter at Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences (RBHS) in New Brunswick, NJ. Special thanks to the chapter founding president, Yuri Jadotte, and its first faculty advisor, Freda Zackin.

Alpha Chi Chapter Founding Members:

1. Yuri T. Jadotte
2. Sharon Chin
3. P. Ben Brown III
4. Robin A. Craig
5. Regina Yu

6. Ryan D. Stephenson
7. Nirmal B. Shah
8. Maria Olender
9. Adil Manzoor
10. Joseph R. Geissler
11. Raul A. Garcia
12. Geoffrey Dreher
13. Andrea DiMaio
14. David DiCaprio
15. Laura Boulos
16. Justin L. Berkowitz
17. Nidhi Sondhi
18. Noelle C. Ortiz
19. Tracy Persily
20. Patrick M. Zito
21. Lauren H. Parkes
22. Sharese N. Porter
23. Anahid M. Pahlawanian
24. Dhaval Naik
25. Jordan M. Kirsch
26. Tian W. He
27. Cassandra Dorvil
28. Jimmarck P. C. Cuenta
29. Alexandra Amaducci
30. Jesse S. Abesh
31. Michael F. D'Ecclessis
32. James S. Rankin

Alpha Chi Chapter New Members:

1. Mark Andrawis
2. John J. Campbell
3. Mario Caruso
4. Caren Chapinski
5. Bryan T. Ciccarelli
6. Alicia Coyne
7. Mark Darocki
8. Jigar Desai
9. Sara Elnakib
10. Pinar Erdogdu
11. Ivan G. Georgiev

12. C. Eric Gullbrand II
13. Chetan Jeurkar
14. Heidi C. Ko
15. Adam Levine
16. Meredith Lindner
17. Ashley R. Martz
18. Sheel Mehta
19. Mia E. Messina
20. Joshua A. Mleczko
21. Jessian L. Munoz-Forti
22. Eric Nagele
23. Pratik M. Parikh
24. Barry E. Perlman
25. Vishal Phakey
26. Joshua M. Robbins
27. Jarrett R. Schanzer
28. Amy C. Schmelzer
29. Douglas M. Stranges
30. Maria C. Tesoro
31. Amy B. Triche
32. Renada Woodward
33. Benedict Wu
34. Minyong Yu