FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT & OTHER RESOURCES

Rutgers University is a leading national public research university with approximately 65,000 students and 13,000 faculty and staff. It is designated as a research-intensive university by the Carnegie Foundation and recognized as one of the top 62 research universities in North America by the AAU. Rutgers has more than 300 research centers and institutes and an extensive track record securing grants, including $550 million in annual sponsored research. Rutgers has state-of-the-art resources to assist faculty with their grant-supported research in units such as the Rutgers University Libraries, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, and the Office of Information Technology Research Support.

Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology. This grant will be housed in the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology at Rutgers University. The graduate school has two nationally ranked APA Accredited Doctoral Programs that include numerous distinguished faculty members in clinical and school psychology with extensive research experience. The Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology and it’s Center for Psychological Services (CPS), Center of Alcohol Studies (CAS), Douglas Development Disabilities Center (DDDC), Rutgers Center of Adult Autism (RCAAS), and Center for Applied Psychology (CAP), have been awarded over $55 million in grant funding in the past ten years and have 57,064 square feet of dedicated office and research space. Existing offices house personnel involved in conducting clinical research, including faculty, full-time staff, and doctoral and undergraduate research assistants. These offices included conferencing space for internal project meetings and shared meetings with collaborators. Computer and phone equipment is also available to allow for phone and video conferencing with members of the research team.

Personnel resources within the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology are available to support pre- and post-grant award management and technological needs. All research suites are networked to secure, firewall-protected servers designed to protect access to sensitive data. Methodologists/statisticians with experience in research design methodology (e.g., experimental, quasi-experimental, correlational methods) and statistical approaches (e.g., multi-level modeling, latent variable modeling, and multivariate analyses) are available to provide research support and have been involved in numerous RCT investigations. Designated as a Research 1 University by the Carnegie Foundation and recognized as one of the top 62 research Universities in North America by the Association of American Universities, Rutgers University has extensive experience managing grants and state-of-the-art resources (e.g., library, technological, space) for faculty research.

The Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology also includes significant resources to forge effective dissemination of project findings. Examples of these resources include state-of-the-art web-development capabilities and full-time professional staff dedicated to enhancing communications of project findings with community partners, policy makers, international and state leaders, and private foundations and donors.

CAS The Center of Alcohol & Substance Use Studies (CAS), a research center that is known internationally as a leader in alcohol research, education, and training. CAS is dedicated to the acquisition and dissemination of knowledge on causes, consequences, and treatment of alcohol and other drug use, and comorbidity with other disorders. It has a strong history of commitment to research and training. CAS faculty serve as consultants
and experts for many national and international organizations, such as the World Health Organization. They are well-represented in NIH study sections and advisory boards. CAS is conveniently located on the Busch campus (the science campus) of Rutgers University in Piscataway, New Jersey. CAS is within walking distance (5 minutes or less) from Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, the Library of Science and Medicine, the Departments of Psychology, Statistics, Mathematics, Genetics, Biomaterials, Computer Science, the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology, and the Computing Research and Education (CORE) building, which houses the central computer services of the university.

All CAS faculty, graduate students, and staff have dedicated PCs, and access to networked laser and color printing facilities, and a wide range of word processing, database, multimedia, reference managing, and statistical (e.g., HLM, SAS, SPSS, Mplus) software. Also available are specialty software for physiological post processing analysis (e.g., WinCPRS, Absolute Alien Oy, Finland), biofeedback administration, (Thought Technology, Biograph Infiniti Software), and poster printing. Hardware and software upgrades and maintenance are provided by CAS, with support from contracted IT staff.