



RUSA Resolution F19- 04

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Resolution to Add Three Students to the Community Oriented Review Board (CORB)

Whereas, the Community Oriented Review Board (CORB) votes on whether individuals applying to join the Rutgers University Police Department can continue to the next level of the hiring process;

Whereas, Rutgers University students are the primary recipients of Rutgers University Police Department services;

Whereas, there are currently no voting students on the Community Oriented Review Board;

Whereas, studies show there are racial disparities in how the police administer justice, including disproportionate minority contact and excessive use of force on racial minorities;^{1 2}

Whereas, adding students to the CORB who are a part of minority communities affected by disproportionate police contact may decrease this disparity as a form of oversight;

¹ *Risk of being killed by police use of force in the United States by age, race–ethnicity, and sex*

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<https://www.pnas.org/content/pnas/116/34/16793.full.pdf>

² *Disproportionate Minority Contact*

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Whereas, adding students to the CORB who are a part of minority communities increases trust and shows a department's commitment to the community;

Be it hereby resolved, that the Rutgers University Student Assembly, in collaboration with the Rutgers United Black Council, the Rutgers Latino Student Council, and with the approval of the Rutgers University Police Department, will include three voting student members onto the Community Oriented Review Board where-

1. One voting student member shall be from the Rutgers United Black Council,
2. One voting student member shall be from the Rutgers Latino Student Council, and
3. One voting student member shall be from the Rutgers University Student Assembly, appointed by the student body President, subject to confirmation by the Assembly.

RUSA President

Date