

More Than Bootstraps High Fellow Abigail Huitzil Accepted Into Rutgers Business School Pre-College Enrichment Program

PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY – February 8, **2021** - <u>More Than Bootstraps</u> High School Fellow and Passaic High School junior Abigail Huitzil has been accepted into the <u>Rutgers Business School</u> <u>Pre-College Enrichment program</u>.

RBS – PREP students, high-performing high school juniors, enroll in a Management Skills course and can earn 3 credits toward an undergraduate business degree. The program exposes participants to careers in business, life skills, and issues surrounding diversity. Abigail joins Catherine Librado as the second More Than Bootstraps High School Fellow to be accepted into and attend this prestigious program at Rutgers University.

The More Than Bootstraps community celebrates Abigail and her MTB mentor, Dhruvi Rana, for supporting Abigail as she takes this initial step into higher education. Of her acceptance into the Rutgers program, Abigail said, "I am truly excited to learn about the skills needed to become a successful manager in the workplace and get a taste of how a business course functions!"

The goal of More Than Bootstraps, according to Audrey Fisch, the founder and president, is create a community of success through near-peer mentoring. "First-generation students have been severely impacted by the pandemic and by the challenges of remote learning. Yet even under these circumstances, these students are making their way to and succeeding in higher education."

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ABOUT MORE THAN BOOTSTRAPS

<u>More Than Bootstraps</u> is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping first-generation students access and succeed in higher education. MTB builds on the strengths and resources of first-generation college students, the majority of whom are students of color from low-income communities. Students in More Than Bootstraps will succeed not just through their individual efforts and grit but through their membership in and contribution to a peer community, engaged in a shared enterprise focused on success in getting to and succeeding in college. *More Than Bootstraps is a 501(c)3 organization, Tax ID 83-2245008.*





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