Research Centers at Rockefeller College

Center for International Development (CID): The Center for International Development (CID) draws upon the extensive intellectual and technical resources from the SUNY and serves as a key component of the university’s overall commitment to excellence in international education, cross-cultural exchange, and sustainable development. It is a trusted, not-for-profit partner in international development, which connects people and ideas for integrated development. Integrated development begins with careful assessments of needs in communities and institutions. It takes into account a country’s specific economic, social and political conditions in activities that help to strengthen the capacity of inclusive and sustainable institutions. The Center designs its programs and activities together with donors and with stakeholders on the ground in order to identify appropriate tools and activities. http://www.cid.suny.edu/

Center for Policy Research (CPR): The mission of the Center for Policy Research is to establish and maintain excellence in the field of public policy and emphasize research on both methodological and substantive issues. The Center supports and conducts research in decision and policy sciences that will ultimately contribute to the improvement of policy processes and decision making at all levels of society. http://www.albany.edu/cpr/

Center for Technology in Government (CTG): The Center for Technology in Government works with government to develop information strategies that foster innovation and enhance the quality and coordination of public services. The Center carries out this mission through applied research and partnership projects that address the policy, management, and technology dimensions of information use in the public sector. The results contribute to a growing knowledge base designed to support the work of both government professionals and academic researchers. http://www.ctg.albany.edu/

Center for Women in Government & Civil Society (CWGCS): The Center for Women in Government & Civil Society is part of the Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy, University at Albany, State University of New York. Through research, teaching, training, leadership development, networking, and public education, the Center works to: Strengthen women’s public policy leadership; Broaden access of women and youth to policy knowledge, skills, and influence; Advance equity for women in the workplace; Enhance nonprofit management and leadership; Inform policy makers and policy activists on issues related to women, children and families. http://www.albany.edu/womeningov/

Institute for Financial Market Research (IFMR): The Institute for Financial Market Regulation (IFMR) is a cooperative project of the financial services industry, regulatory organizations, and major law firms with the University at Albany and Albany Law School. The Center oversees an undergraduate major and minor in Financial Market Regulation at the University at Albany and graduate and legal education in financial market regulation at the University at Albany and Albany Law School. The program is designed to graduate students who are capable of responding in sophisticated, flexible ways to current developments in financial markets, whether in entry-level professional practice or in graduate and law
school. The Center also contributes to the theory and practice of financial market regulation through research connecting academic researchers specialized training with professional knowledge and experience, engaging live issues facing regulators and supervisors. http://www.albany.edu/ifmr/

**Institute for Traffic Safety Management & Research (ITSMR):** The Institute for Traffic Safety Management and Research (ITSMR) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving highway safety. Since its establishment, ITSMR has been responsible for conducting research supporting the development of many of these countermeasures and evaluations of their effectiveness in reducing motor vehicle crashes, fatalities and injuries. The wide range of highway safety issues addressed by ITSMR includes impaired driving, occupant restraint use, commercial vehicle safety, motorcycle safety, aggressive driving, teen and older drivers, pedestrian safety and distracted driving.
http://www.itsmr.org/

**Intergovernmental Studies Program (IGSP):** IGSP strives to improve the performance of collaborative activities across governments. The research team works with New York State agencies and local governments to build an agenda around intergovernmental cooperation initiatives. We deliver practical advice to our partners and share best practices with the broader governance community.
http://www.albany.edu/igsp/

**National Center for Security & Preparedness (NCSP):** The National Center for Security & Preparedness (NCSP) has as its mission: “Through collaboration, creativity, and a commitment to excellence, the National Center for Security and Preparedness supports the nation’s efforts to be secure from acts of terrorism and to be prepared to respond to incidents of high consequence and disasters through research, education, training, and technical assistance.” The NCSP works with state and Federal agencies, the private sector, and other organizations in work consistent with its mission. Projects currently underway within the Center include the delivery of workshops dealing with “national preparedness initiatives,” “campus preparedness,” intelligence, and security. Arguably the most important asset of the NCSP is its Panel of Experts. The panel is comprised of subject matter experts (SMEs) that have been invited to affiliate with the NCSP. The depth and breadth of the panel is significant and is continually being enhanced. http://www.albany.edu/ncsp/

**Professional Development Program (PDP):** PDP has established an international reputation for delivering quality learning products on time and on budget — a track record that has resulted in cumulative funding in excess of $350 million. With over 250 highly skilled employees providing technical assistance/consultation; curricula design and development; instructional design; needs assessment; train-the-trainer programs; e-learning solutions; web design and development; graphic design; conference planning and management; and project management; PDP is a prized and sought out partner. Each and every year since PDP’s founding, over 25,000 participants have been served through approximately 3,500 instructional activities. PDP has long been committed to the concept of the university of the future — a teaching and research institution that is responsive to the public service. http://www.pdp.albany.edu/
**Project on Violent Conflict (PVC):** Working in tandem with scholars at other universities, the Project on Violent Conflict (PVC) provides research in support of initiatives of the Department of Homeland Security and the Office of Naval Research. PVC is currently building an extensive data set on terrorist groups worldwide, focusing on organizational and network dynamics. Ultimately, this data set, “Big, Allied, and Dangerous,” or BAAD, is expected to be merged with an incident-based database, becoming the most extensive data available in the field. Another ongoing project, “Know Thyself: The Organizational Culture, Networks, and Behavior of Counterinsurgency and Stability Operations,” is a multi-method assessment of counterinsurgency and stabilization operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. PVC is also in the early stages of researching the proliferation of Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) technology through inter and intra-organizational networks. PVC continues with other projects as well, and to date has brought to Rockefeller six major grant projects totaling more than two million dollars.  
[http://www.albany.edu/rockefeller/profile_pvc.shtml](http://www.albany.edu/rockefeller/profile_pvc.shtml)

**Rockefeller Institute of Government (RIG):** RIG conducts studies and special projects to assist government and enhance the capacity of states and localities to meet critical challenges. Through its conferences, research, and publications, the Institute works with the best experts and top officials at all levels of government to forge creative solutions to public problems. The work of the Institute focuses on the role of state governments in the American federal system. [http://www.rockinst.org/](http://www.rockinst.org/)

**Systems Dynamics Society (SDS):** The System Dynamics Society (SDS) is an international, nonprofit organization devoted to encouraging the development and use of system dynamics and systems thinking around the world. With members in fifty-five countries, the Society provides a forum in which researchers, educators, consultants, and practitioners in the corporate and public sectors interact to introduce newcomers to the field, keep abreast of current developments, and build on each other's work. [http://www.systemdynamics.org/](http://www.systemdynamics.org/)