

In Memory of Dr. Ramdas Chandra (1968-2025)

Obituary: Dr. Ramdas Chandra (1968-2025)

We are deeply saddened to share the passing of Dr. Ramdas Chandra, a distinguished academic and beloved member of multiple university communities, who passed away on June 4, 2025, in Pune, India, at the age of 56, after a courageous battle with liver cancer.

Dr. Chandra was an accomplished scholar, educator, mentor, and global citizen whose career spanned over two decades and multiple institutions across North America. At the time of his passing, he was Associate Professor of Professional Practice in International Business at Rutgers Business School (2022-2025), where he was known for his deep knowledge, generosity of spirit, and commitment to student development.

Previously, he served as:

- Associate Professor of International Business at the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, Nova Southeastern University (2006-2022)

- Associate Professor at the School of Management, Long Island University (2005-2006)

- Assistant Professor in the Department of Marketing, Concordia University (1998-2005)

Dr. Chandra earned his Ph.D. in International Business from NYU Stern School of Business in 2001.

He held an MBA from the Faculty of Management Studies (FMS), University of Delhi (1992), where he remained an active alumnus, deeply involved in mentoring and alumni activities. He began his academic journey with a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from the University of Poona and was educated at Loyola High School, Pune.

Throughout his career, Dr. Chandra was admired for his academic excellence, his passion for

international business, and his empathetic, student-centered approach. He mentored countless students and junior faculty members and was active in various student organizations and alumni networks.

Beyond academia, Dr. Chandra was a man of many talents. A state-level junior basketball player in his youth, he continued to play sports throughout his life. He was a gifted musician who played the sitar and harmonium and was particularly fond of Hindustani classical music. He was also known for his culinary skills and love of cooking, as well as his deep love for books and lifelong learning.

Dr. Chandra is survived by his mother, daughters, sister, brother-in-law, and nephew. He was a beloved son, devoted father and uncle, affectionate brother, and loyal friend. His sudden passing has left a profound void in the lives of his family, friends, students, and colleagues across the globe. He will be remembered with great respect, love, and admiration by the academic and alumni communities of Rutgers University, Nova Southeastern University, Concordia University, Long Island University, NYU Stern, and FMS Delhi.

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In Memoriam: Dr. Ramdas Chandra (1968-2025)

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Dr. Chandra served most recently as Associate Professor of Professional Practice in International Business at Rutgers Business School (2022-2025), following earlier roles at Nova Southeastern University (2006-2022), Long Island University (2005-2006), and Concordia University (1998-2005).

He earned his Ph.D. from NYU Stern, MBA from FMS Delhi, and B.E. from the University of Poona. A lifelong educator, mentor, and friend, he was known for his intellectual rigor, kindness, musical talent, and love of sports and cooking.

He is survived by his mother, daughters, sister, and nephew. Dr. Chandra leaves behind a legacy of generosity, learning, and joy that touched lives across the globe.