

**RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY**

**FRESHMAN APPLICATION  
FOR  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES**



# RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

## Application for Admission to Undergraduate Studies

### Freshman Application Instructions

*Please read all instructions carefully before completing this application*

#### APPLICATION FEE

All undergraduate applicants must submit this application with a non-refundable \$60 application fee payable by personal check or money order made out to Ramapo College of New Jersey. If you wish to pay by credit card you must apply using the online application.

#### DEADLINE DATES

Your application and all supporting credentials must be received by March 1 if applying for Fall admission, December 1 if applying for Spring admission.

#### FRESHMAN REQUIREMENTS

Complete Sections I, II, and III. Be sure to submit or complete the following:

1. Official high school transcript.
2. One letter of recommendation (two recommended.)
3. Official Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) scores or ACT scores.
4. If applying for the Educational Opportunity Fund Program, you must check "yes" for the EOF question in **Section I** and complete **Section IV** (EOF Questionnaire).

#### NURSING APPLICANTS

Nursing admission is only available for **the fall semester**.

#### EOF APPLICANTS ONLY

To be considered for enrollment into the EOF Program at Ramapo College of New Jersey, please make sure to follow the instructions below carefully.

1. **Complete** the Ramapo College admissions application and submit prior to March 1st. **NO APPLICATION FEE IS REQUIRED.**
2. **Submit** an official copy of high school transcript, copies of all SAT/ACT test scores and at least one (1) letter of recommendation.
3. **Complete and submit** Section IV (EOF Questionnaire). Questionnaire is included in paper application. Please make sure that each question is answered completely. Incomplete information on the EOF Questionnaire will result in a delay of application processing.
4. **Attach all supporting documentation** to your EOF Questionnaire as required in the form. A copy of you or your family's most recent tax records are **REQUIRED**, and verification of all information for financial eligibility is needed in order to determine program eligibility. Incomplete or missing documentation will result in a delay of application processing.
5. **Complete** the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) after January 1st 2010 and prior to March 1st 2010.

#### OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

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[www.ramapo.edu](http://www.ramapo.edu)



Please review the attached Admissions Application Instructions before completing all appropriate sections of this application. Include the non-refundable \$60 application fee payable to Ramapo College of New Jersey with your application.

## SECTION I: BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Provide us with your legal name) First Middle Initial

Maiden name or other names appearing on your transcript: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \*: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Sex:  Male  Female

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town or City County State Zip Code

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*You are not required to provide your SSN # on this application, however, it is required if you plan on applying for federal student aid.*

ETHNIC GROUP STATUS (optional – check one):

None  American Indian or Alaskan Native  Asian, Pacific Islander  Black, Non-Hispanic  Hispanic  White

ETHNIC CATEGORY (optional – check one):

None  Not Hispanic or Latino/Latina  Hispanic or Latino/Latina

RACE (optional – check one):

None  American Indian or Alaskan Native  Asian  Black or African American  Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander  
 Hispanic  White

Are you a New Jersey resident?  Yes  No If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen?  Yes  No

If no, what is your country of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you resided in the U.S. or a U.S. territory? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, are you a permanent resident of the U.S.?  Yes  No

If yes, what is your alien registration number? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a  J1,  F1,  B1, or  other visa? If other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Is English your first language?  Yes  No If no, what language(s) other than English do you speak? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible for military veteran's benefits?  Yes  No

Do you have a relative who is a current student or alumnus of Ramapo College?  Yes  No

If yes, list the name(s), relationship(s) to you, and the year(s) each entered and graduated from Ramapo College:

\_\_\_\_\_  
For which semester are you applying? Fall: \_\_\_\_\_ Spring: \_\_\_\_\_ I will attend  Full-time  Part-time

I am applying for the Educational Opportunity Fund Program (March 1 Deadline):  Yes  No

If yes, you must complete **Section IV** of this application.

Have you previously applied to Ramapo College?  Yes  No If yes, give semester applied for:  Fall: \_\_\_\_\_  Spring: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you applying for Financial Aid?  Yes  No Are you applying for On-Campus Housing?  Yes  No

## SECTION II: ACADEMIC PROGRAMS Check only one program.

### Anisfield School of Business

- Accounting
- Business Administration
  - Finance
  - Management
  - Marketing
- Economics
- Information Systems
- International Business
- Undecided

### School of American and International Studies

- American Studies \*
- History \*
- International Studies
- Liberal Studies *[contract major]*
- Literature \*
  - Creative Writing
- Political Science \*
- Spanish Language Studies \*
- Undecided

### School of Contemporary Arts

- Communication Arts
  - Design and Interactive Media
  - Digital Filmmaking
  - Journalism
  - Media and Cinema Studies
  - Writing
- Contemporary Arts *[contract major]*
- Music \*
  - Music Industry
  - Music Performance
  - Music Production
  - Music Studies

- Theater \*
  - Acting
  - Design/Technical
  - Directing/Stage Management
  - Theater Studies
- Visual Arts \*
  - Art History
  - Art and Technology
  - Drawing and Painting
  - Photography
  - Sculpture
  - Undecided

### School of Social Sciences and Human Services

- Environmental Studies
- Law and Society
- Psychology \*
- Social Science *[contract major]*
  - Africana Studies
  - Community Mental Health
  - Cultural Studies
  - Ethnic Relations
  - Gender Studies
  - Labor Studies
- Social Work
- Sociology
  - Criminology
  - Public Sociology
- Undecided

### School of Theoretical and Applied Science

- Allied Health Technologies
  - Diagnostic Medical Sonography
  - Nuclear Medicine Technology
  - Respiratory Care
  - Vascular Technology

- Biochemistry
- Bioinformatics
- Biology \*
  - Biology Articulation Tracks: †
    - Chiropractic
    - Dental (NYU)
    - Dental (UMDNJ)
    - Optometry
    - Osteopathy
    - Physical Therapy
    - Physician Assistant
- Chemistry \*
- Clinical Laboratory Science
  - Cytotechnology
  - Medical Laboratory Science
- Computer Science
- Engineering Physics \*
- Environmental Science \*
- Integrated Science Studies
- Mathematics \*
- Nursing (Generic – for those without RN licensure; March 1 Deadline)
- Nursing (RN to BSN – for those with RN licensure)
- Undecided

\* Teacher Certification available.

† Articulation programs available with other institutions. For information, visit

<http://guide.ramapo.edu/PreMedFAQ.html>

Are you interested in Teacher Certification?

Yes  No If yes, which area?  Elementary  Secondary/Content Area If yes, you must choose a major from the list above.

Are you interested in Pre-professional programs?  Yes  No If yes, which area?  Pre-Law  Pre-Medical

### EDUCATIONAL HISTORY:

No credit will be retroactively awarded for college coursework not identified at the time of application.

Name and Location of High School <i>(start with most recent)</i>	CEEB School Code	Dates of Enrollment		Date of Graduation
		From <i>(Month/Year)</i>	To <i>(Month/Year)</i>	

Are you currently attending Ramapo College as a non-degree student?  Yes  No

Instead of a high school transcript, will you be submitting General Equivalency Diploma scores?  Yes  No

On which date(s) have you taken the SAT/ACT? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to take the SAT/ACT after submission of this application? If so, which date(s) \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION III: ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

List your involvement in school, community, and religious activities by year, including positions held, if any, and any special honors and awards you have received for scholastic, musical, athletic, or other achievements.

Student Clubs

Year(s) (Fr, So, Jr, Sr, if applicable)

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Athletics

Year(s) (Fr, So, Jr, Sr, if applicable)

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Work Experience

Year(s) (Fr, So, Jr, Sr, if applicable)

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Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime?  Yes  No

If you've answered "yes" to the above question, please provide the approximate date of the incident(s) and an explanation of the circumstances.

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#### REQUIRED ESSAY

Please choose from one of the two essay questions below. In about 250 words on a separate piece of paper, please answer the question as thoroughly and detailed as possible.

- 1) One of Ramapo's goals is to increase your capacity for learning and to teach you to think "outside the box." Describe an experience that has had a significant impact on your intellectual development.
- 2) There are many ways to define words like diversity and multi-cultural. However, what defines our culture as much as anything is the food we eat. Please explain how food plays an important part in your family's culture. Provide examples as to how food defines you, your family, and your ethnicity. Be as specific as possible.

#### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all information supplied by me in this application is accurate and honestly presented.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ramapo College admits students of any race, creed, color, sex, age, and national origin and does not exclude students on this basis from any activity, program, or policy of the College. Ramapo College is barrier-free and supports equal access to programs and activities as provided under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Upon admission, students who need to arrange for appropriate academic adjustments or wish to request academic support services should contact the Office of Specialized Services.

# SECTION IV: EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM QUESTIONNAIRE

## ONLY EOF APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM

The Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program offers admission to academically able freshman applicants whose credentials do not fulfill all the criteria for admission. The program provides such students the support needed to maintain continued enrollment through graduation. This support includes grants and scholarships, minimizing the financial burden of college attendance, and services designed to foster academic success and social responsibility.

**Instructions:** Please answer all questions below and provide supporting documentation to the Office of Admissions by March 1, 2010. Please note that all information is kept confidential and used to determine financial eligibility for EOF.

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a NJ resident?  Yes  No Years living in NJ? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you: A U.S. Citizen?  Yes  No Permanent Resident?  Yes  No

If yes, Alien Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please submit a copy, front and back, of green card)

**APPLICANTS MUST FILE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) BY MARCH 1, 2010  
TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE EOF PROGRAM**

### FILING INFORMATION

\_\_\_ I am a Dependent Student – Complete Dependent Students section only

\_\_\_ I am an Independent Student since I meet one of the following: (check one)

\_\_\_ I was born before January 1, 1985.

\_\_\_ I am a Veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces (attach copy of DD-214)

\_\_\_ I have a legal dependent other than a spouse (attach copy of dependent's birth certificate)

\_\_\_ I am married (attach a copy of your marriage certificate)

\_\_\_ I am an orphan or ward of the Court, or was until the age of 18 (attach copy of proof of status)

*Please complete Independent Student section only*

### HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

How many people, including yourself, are in your household? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you live with grandparents, aunt/uncle?  Yes  No

Please list all individuals, including yourself, living in your household. Include only those individuals who receive more than 50% support from your parents. If more than 8, please attach a separate sheet with additional persons and requested information.

	List full name	Age	Relationship to you	In College during 2009/2010	
1	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
5	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
6	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
7	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
8	_____	_____	_____	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

Please submit any comments or unusual circumstances on an additional sheet with this questionnaire.

**DEPENDENT STUDENTS – 2009 INCOME INFORMATION**

You MUST complete this section if you do not meet one of the requirements for Independent status.

Do you have a stepparent?  Yes\*  No

*\*If yes, both your parent's and stepparent's income must be included. Please be sure that your parent and stepparent file their federal income taxes as married, filing jointly or married filing separately. Both conditions must be adhered to or you will not be considered for the program.*

Are your parent(s)/stepparent(s):

Single  Married  Separated  Divorced  Mother Deceased  Father Deceased

Do both your parents/stepparents/legal guardians earn wages from full or part time jobs?  Yes  No

Father's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Total 2009 Family Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Actual  Estimated

SOURCES OF 2009 INCOME FOR THE YEAR	(Step) Father	(Step) Mother	Student
Salary/Wages from work, Business and/or Rental Property	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Social Security Benefits (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Welfare (AFDC/ADC) (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Workmen's Compensation (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Veteran's Benefits (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Unemployment (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Child Support (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (per year; please explain in an additional sheet of paper)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

Do your parent(s)/ stepparent(s)/ legal guardian(s) own a single family home?  Yes  No Double/multi-family home?  Yes  No

Do your parent(s)/ stepparent(s)/ legal guardian(s) own a business?  Yes  No (If yes, please submit 2008 income tax form 1040)

**INDEPENDENT STUDENTS – 2009 INCOME INFORMATION**

You **MUST** complete the Independent Students section if you meet one of the requirements for Independent status. Please include supporting documentation.

1. How long have you lived outside your parent's home? \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

2. With whom do you currently reside? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you:  Single  Married  Separated  Divorced

4. Including yourself, how many dependents do you claim on your income tax? \_\_\_\_\_ (Please identify in household Information section)

Total 2009 Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Actual  Estimated

SOURCES OF 2009 INCOME FOR THE YEAR	Student	Spouse
Salary/Wages from work, Business and/or Rental Property	\$ _____	\$ _____
Social Security Benefits (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Welfare (AFDC/ADC) (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Workmen's Compensation (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Veteran's Benefits (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Unemployment (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Child Support (per month)	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other (per year; please explain in comments section)	\$ _____	\$ _____

Do you own a single family home?  Yes  No Double/multi-family home?  Yes  No

Do you own a business?  Yes  No (If yes, please submit 2008 income tax form 1040)

**YOU MUST SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM**

I/We declare that the information reported is true, correct and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. I/We understand that any misrepresentation on this form may impact the admissions decision.

_____ Student's Signature	_____ Date
_____ Parent's Signature	_____ Date
_____ Parent's Signature	_____ Date

**Note: The information on this document is only preliminary. Final acceptance into the EOF Program will be dependent on the results of the FAFSA, a required document for all applicants. FAFSA applications MUST be filed by March 1, 2010.**