

Faculty Assembly

FA President's Report

October 8, 2025

Upcoming Fall 2025 Events:

State of the College; Oct. 22, 12 pm, Friends Hall

CAP Implementation (Provost Middleton); Oct. 22, 2 pm, Pavilion

Faculty Development Week (FRC); Oct. 20-23

Faculty Scholarship Symposium – AY 24/25 Sabbatical Showcase; Oct. 29, 10:30-12, Padovano Commons

Memorial for Prof. Gio Viglino; November 19, 1 pm, Pav 1-2

2028 MSCHE Self-Study: Campus-Wide Kickoff; November 19, 1 pm, Pav 3

Fall Faculty Awards (Bischoff/Richardson); November 19, 3 pm, York Room

Morale Survey

COIL

- Collaborative Online International Learning
- Through online collaboration, students engage in joint projects, discussions, and cross-cultural exchange with students in other countries but without the need for travel. Faculty co-design the COIL experience with international partners.
- Paul Currant (Director of the Roukema Center)
John McTighe (Faculty Fellow for International Ed)

BOT Updates

- FA Committee Reps: Stacie Taranto (MFC), Jason Hecht (AC), Amruth Kumar (RC)
- BOT Chair Transition

AI Working Groups:

FAIR (Faculty Advisory group on Integrity & Responsibility) – Vice Provost Joyce Shim

- Hugh Sheehy (HGS)
- Dean Chen (HGS)
- Brian McSherry (CA)
- Elvira Katic (SSHS)
- Fariba Nosrati (ASB)
- Sourav Dutta (TAS)

Impact of AI on Teaching and Learning – Provost Middleton

Presidential Task Force on AI

President Jebb is convening a Presidential Task Force on Artificial Intelligence to complement the work currently underway within Teaching and Learning to ensure Ramapo engages this emerging technology with thoughtfulness, responsibility, and vision.

The Presidential Task Force will be charged with studying the potential uses, implications, and impacts of AI across teaching, learning, research, operations, and student life, with the goal of offering recommendations that align with Ramapo's identity, values, and pursuit of national distinction.

Key Areas of Focus

- **Mission Alignment & Identity:**

Leverage AI to strengthen the liberal arts mission, uphold institutional values, and advance national distinction.

- **Teaching, Learning & Student Success:**

Explore responsible uses of AI to enhance pedagogy, support faculty innovation, and prepare graduates for an AI-shaped workforce.

- **Operational & Ethical Considerations:**

Assess risks, ethics, and governance to ensure responsible, equitable, and value-driven AI adoption.

- **Future Readiness & Strategic Positioning:**

Define Ramapo's identity in the AI era and position the College as a liberal arts leader in thoughtful, innovative engagement with AI.