



INTERNATIONAL
EXCHANGE AND
VISITING STUDENTS

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# **QUICK FACTS ABOUT RAMAPO**

Founded — 1969

Type of Institution — Public, Liberal Arts

Areas of Study — 539 Course Offerings

Student to Teacher Ratio — 18:1

Average class size — 23

Students — More than 6,000

#### Accolades —

- » AACSB International Accreditation (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)
- » Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine 100 Best Values in Public Colleges
- » Princeton Review Best in the Northeast
- » Ranked annually by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the Best Regional Public Universities North category
- » Safewise Ramapo College's hometown of Mahwah ranked one of the safest communities in the state of New Jersey
- » Named among the top three (after Princeton and Stevens Institute of Technology) and Number One among the public institutions in New Jersey in College Choice's rankings for 2017-2018.
- » Recognized as a "Military Friendly School" by Victory Media
- » Recognized on CollegesofDistinction.com, a website dedicated to honoring schools nationwide for their excellence in student-focused higher education







# WHAT IS AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE?

Students attending exchange partner institutions have the opportunity to spend one semester or one year studying at RCNJ. A full year can be the academic year (Fall to Spring / August – May) or calendar year (Spring to Fall / January – December).

The nature of an exchange allows students to pay their home institution tuition and fees. Exchange students are required to live on-campus, thus paying Ramapo College for housing and meals (meal plans are optional).

# PARTNER SCHOOLS

- » American College of Greece (Athens, Greece)
- » Anglia Ruskin University (Cambridge, England)
- » Copenhagen Business Academy (Copenhagen, Denmark)
- » Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (Kumasi, Ghana)
- » Kansai Gaidai University (Osaka, Japan)
- » Universitá Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Milan, Italy)

# WHO IS A VISITING STUDENT?

International students who are interested in attending Ramapo College for one-to-two semesters and are NOT exchange students, will apply as non-degree students and pay all relevant tuition, fees, room and board.

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# **ACADEMIC CALENDAR TIMELINE**

#### **FALL SEMESTER**

August Final Week: Arrive at Ramapo for orientation

September ! First Wednesday: Classes start

October | Midterms

November Third Week: Thanksgiving Break (No classes)

December Final Exams

End of Fall Semester Start of Winter Break

#### SPRING SEMESTER

January Second Week: Arrive at Ramapo for orientation

Third Tuesday: Classes Start

March Third Week Spring Break

May | Final Exams

End of Spring Semester Start of Summer Break

## ramapo.edu/academic-calendars/future-calendars



# **ACADEMIC OFFERINGS**

Anisfield School of Business (ASB)

Accounting

Finance

Economics

**Information Systems** 

Information Technology Management

**International Business** 

Management Marketing

School of Contemporary Arts (CA)

**Communication Arts** 

- Digital Film Making\*
- Global Communication and Media\*
- Journalism
- Visual Communication Design\*
- Writing\*

Contemporary Arts

Professional Communication\*

#### Music

- Music Industry\*
- Music Performance\*
- Music Production\*
- Music Studies\*

#### Theater

- Acting\*
- Design/Technical\*
- Directing/Stage Management\*
- Theater Studies\*

#### Visual Arts

- Art History\*
- Art Therapy (Drawing & Painting)\*
- Art Therapy (Sculpture)\*
- Drawing & Painting\*
- Electronic Art & Animation\*
- Photography\*
- Sculpture\*

Salameno School of Humanities and Global

Studies (SSHGS)

Africana Studies

**American Studies** 

History

International Studies

Liberal Studies

Literature

— Creative Writing\*

\* Concentrations are part of a major.

Philosophy Political Science

Spanish Language Studies

School of Social Science and Human

Services (SSHS)

**Environmental Studies** 

Justice

Law and Society

Psychology

Social Science

- Community Mental Health\*
- Cultural Studies\*
- Ethnic Relations\*
- Gender Studies\*
- Labor Studies\*

Social Work

Sociology

- Criminology\*
- Public Sociology\*

Sustainability

School of Theoretical and Applied Science (TAS)

Allied Health Technologies

Biochemistry

Bioinformatics

Biology

Chemistry

Clinical Lab Sciences

Medical Laboratory Science\*

— Medical Laborator y Scienc

Computer Science

**Engineering Physics** 

**Environmental Science** 

Integrated Science Studies

- Business Administration\*
- Public Policy Administration\*
- Science Journalism\*
- Science, Technology & Society\*

#### **Mathematics**

Medical Imaging Science

- Cardiac and Vascular Sonography\*
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography\*

Nursing

Plant Studies

Additional course information can be found here: ramapo.edu/catalog

# STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Exchange students have full access to all of our support services oncampus and online.

- » Bradley Center (fitness center and sport facilities)
- » Career Services
- » Center for Reading and Writing
- » Center for Student Involvement
- » Civic & Community Engagement Center
- » George T. Potter Library
- » Health & Counseling Center
- » Public Safety
- » Office of Student Conduct
- » Office of Violence Prevention
- » Queer Peer Services
- Roadrunner Central, purchase discounted tickets for:
   Broadway Shows | Bus to N.Y.C.
   Professional Sporting Events | Ski Trips
   Other Activities On- or Off-Campus
- » Roukema Center for International Education
- » Specialized Services
- » Mathematics and Science Tutoring Center
- » Theaters
  Myron and Elaine Adler Theater | Sharp Theater
- » Women's Center



# HOUSING

All exchange students get placed in the College Park Apartments. These apartments are for upper class students and house four students per apartment with two double bedrooms, a shared bath and a shared kitchen/living room.

ramapo.edu/reslife/college-park-apartments-cpa

## **OTHER RESIDENCE HALLS**

Pine Hall - 340-student first-year residence with three double occupancy bedrooms, sitting room, bath with double sinks, stall shower and toilet compartment in each suite.

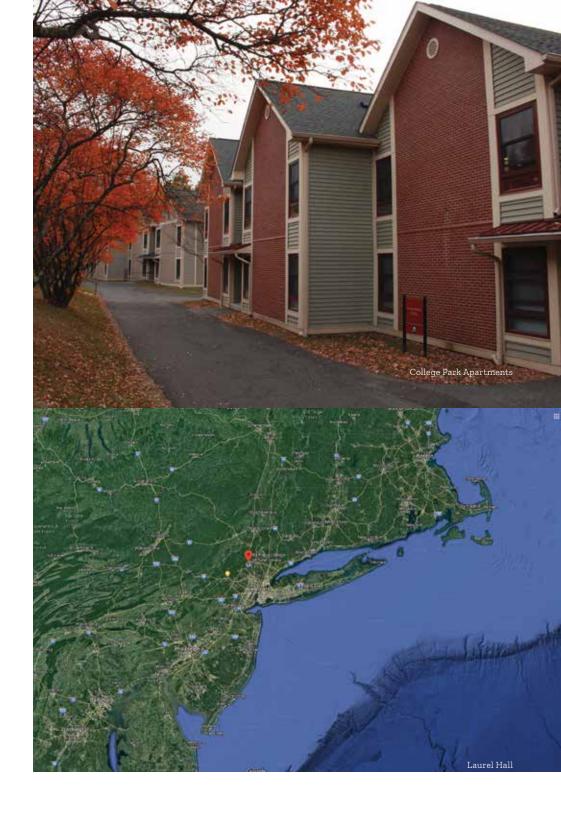
Mackin Hall - 360-student hotel-like residence of double occupancy rooms with private baths (configured for two first-year students per room).

Bischoff Hall - 250-student hotel-like residence of double occupancy rooms with private baths.

The Village - 22 buildings with apartments for 528 students comprised of four single bedrooms, kitchen, living/dining room, bath with double sinks, stall shower and toilet compartment.

The Overlook - 295-student residence of four-person suites with two bedrooms, two bathrooms and a sitting room.

Laurel Hall - 432-student suite-style residence with four single bedrooms, bathroom with stall shower and sitting room.





## **MEAL PLAN**

Based on the College Park Apartment (CPA) room assignment, all students receive the Simple 7 meal plan. This plan offers any seven meals per week at the Birch Tree Inn or the Pavilion, including late night dining. It includes an additional \$575 flex per semester which can be used for additional meals in the student restaurants, at any of our retail locations, student catering and to pay for guest meals at Birch Tree Inn or the Pavilion.

## ramapo.sodexomyway.com/my-meal-plan

The CPAs do have a kitchen, so you are not required to have a meal plan. If you do not want a meal plan, please communicate that to the Roukema Center for International Education and email **mealplan@ramapo.edu** to get your meal plan removed.

#### OTHER MEAL PLAN OPTIONS

**The Ultimate** - Unlimited meals per week and \$100 flex per semester

The Maroon 12 - 12 meals per week and \$250 flex per semester

**The Tasty 10** - 10 meals per week and \$100 flex per semester

Unused flex dollars carry over to the following semester.

#### **SELECTING YOUR PLAN**

Meal plan selection is made during the housing selection process. If would like to purchase a meal plan or if you would like to make a change to the plan you have already selected, please email **mealplan@ramapo.edu** with your selection. Include: first and last name and Banner ID Number (R#). Questions regarding any meal plan information can be directed to the Dining Services Office at (201) 684-7773.

Students residing in Pine, Bischoff, Mackin and Overlook Halls are required to purchase a meal plan each semester.

## **GETTING INVOLVED**

At Ramapo College, being involved outside the classroom is recognized as just as important as being active inside the classroom. Students are urged to take advantage of the many opportunities available, including clubs/organizations, intramurals, LGBTQIA empowerment, Student Government Association, performing arts, etc.

#### **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

There are more than 150 clubs and organizations including cultural, academic, religious, recreational, entertainment, political, social and special interest groups. Joining can provide students with interesting friends and provide life long memories of their college years. If students browse through the list and find their interests are not represented, they should inquire at the Center for Student Involvement about starting a new club or organization. Once the College recognizes an organization, it is eligible to receive financial support from the Student Activities Allocations Committee. ramapo.edu/clubs

## **INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION (ISO)**

ISO is a socio-cultural organization that bridges students for around the globe. This organization supports and promotes different cultures and perspectives, empowering individuals to enhance their knowledge world cultures. ISO prides itself on diversity, mutual respect and tolerance of race, ethnicity, culture, religion, and sexual orientation. Our main goal is to unify cultural diversity among the Ramapo community.

ramapo.edu/inter-students/iso

## **INTRAMURALS**

Intramural sports offer all Ramapo College students, faculty and staff the chance to participate in a wide variety of team and individual sports, and special events. Everyone is given the chance to compete, stay fit and make new friends, regardless of your ability level. Whether it's your first time playing or not, intramural sports offer the right league for you! ramapoathletics.com/sports/2008/1/21/GEN\_0121083958

## **PERFORMING ARTS - BERRIE CENTER**

If you are a fan of the arts and either want to get hands-on involvement on set or behind the scenes, or perhaps, as a spectator in the audience, please check out what the Berrie Center has to offer for performing and visual arts fans. Schedule of Events: **ramapo.edu/berriecenter** 

## **VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS FACILITIES**

The School of Contemporary Arts has facilities for photography, video & sound editing, television studio, multimedia lab, music recording studio, electronic music studio, music production suite, 338-seat theater, blackbox theater, dance studio, scene shop, costume shop, fine arts studios, and sculpture studio. ramapo.edu/ca/facilities

#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The Ramapo College Student Government Association serves as the persistent voice of the student body. While representing the student body and ideals of the Ramapo College of New Jersey, the Student Government Association through unity in diversity, embraces student leadership in all forms. ramapo.edu/sga

## **WOMEN'S CENTER / LGBTQIA CENTER**

The Women's Center's mission is to create a campus environment free of racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism, classism, ageism, and other forms of oppression and discrimination. We are committed to diversity, gender equity, inclusion, multiculturalism, and women's empowerment. The Women's Center provides educational, social, and cultural opportunities for members of the Ramapo College community to promote acceptance and to challenge multiple forms of oppression and discrimination. ramapo.edu/womenscenter/get-involved



## **COST OF LIVING**

**EXPENSES** APPROXIMATE COSTS

**Tuition/Fees (2018-2019)** \$11,857.60\*

Course/Lab Fees \$10 - \$350 (dependent on course)

**Room** \$4,500 - \$5,460

**Board** \$0 - \$1,900

Transcript Fee \$25

**Estimated Semester Total** Exchange: \$4,535 to \$7,735

Visiting: \$16,392.60 to \$19,592.60

#### OTHER ESTIMATED COSTS NOT BILLED BY RAMAPO COLLEGE

**EXPENSES** APPROXIMATE COSTS

**Airfare** \$800 - \$2,000\*

Insurance \$500 Books \$200

Transportation (to NYC) \$12 round trip on the bus

Personal & Living Expenses Varies

More details on cost, can be found at ramapo.edu/student-accounts/costinfo

# APPLICATION CRITERIA PROCESS AND DEADLINES

### **CRITERIA**

- » Home institution nomination
- » Minimum score: TOEFL: 79 IELTS: 6.0

#### **PROCESS**

The following materials must be submitted by the application deadline:

- » Passport Copy
- » TOEFL/IELTS Scores
- » Student Identification
- » Course Selection Form
- Official Transcript
- » Participation Approval Form
- » International Exchange Student Application Terms and Conditions

Following acceptance, more forms will be required.

#### **DEADLINES**

Fall semester > early March

Spring semester > mid-October



<sup>\*</sup>Exchange students are not required to pay this, as they will pay their home school tuition and fees.

<sup>\* (</sup>Depending on home location), preferred arrival airport (Newark - EWR)

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