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Ramapo College Ranked One of the Highest Return on Investment Colleges in New Jersey

(MAHWAH, NJ) – Ramapo College has recently been ranked as one of New Jersey’s highest return on investment colleges by AffordableCollegesOnline.org. Twenty-four out of 162 colleges analyzed in New Jersey earned a spot on the ranking list. Ramapo earned a ranking of 10th overall.

The rankings list is comprised of the New Jersey colleges and universities with the greatest lifetime return on investment. Graduates from these schools enjoy the largest earnings gap between non-degree holders, over a thirty-year span.

Colleges were ranked based on several criteria, including net tuition prices, the graduate's average starting salaries, ROI calculation and schools being fully accredited, four-year not-for-profit institutions. The information for each was provided by IPEDS/NCES, PayScale and the Carnegie Foundation.

In order to be considered as a “High ROI College,” each school had to be a fully accredited institution, four-year degree-granting institution, either public or private and have an ROI according to PayScale’s 2013 college value report.

The full list of rankings can be found at <http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/online-colleges/new-jersey>.

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Ranked by U.S. News & World Report as sixth in the Best Regional Universities North category for public institutions, Ramapo College of New Jersey is sometimes mistaken for a private college. This is, in part, due to its unique interdisciplinary academic structure, its size of approximately 6,008 students and its pastoral setting in the foothills of the Ramapo Mountains on the New Jersey/New York border.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include nursing and social work. In addition, Ramapo College offers courses leading to

teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels. The College also offers five graduate programs as well as articulated programs with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New York Chiropractic College, New York University College of Dentistry, SUNY State College of Optometry and New York College of Podiatric Medicine.