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**UNITED NATIONS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ADMITS
RAMAPO COLLEGE TO ITS ROSTER**

(Mahwah) – The United Nations Department of Public Information’s Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations admitted Ramapo College to its roster at the group’s December meeting. The college was among 17 new non-governmental organizations (NGOs) admitted, bringing the number of those that work with the department in the area of communications and information outreach to 1,650.

“This will enhance opportunities for our students to enrich their knowledge of international affairs and provide internships and access to United Nations meetings and briefings,” said Dr. Clifford Peterson, a professor of International Politics and faculty advisor to the college’s Model United Nations Club. Ramapo College’s selection reflects a long-standing commitment to international education and programs related specifically to the United Nations.

The application for NGO status was compiled by Peterson; Carol Morrison, director, Experiential Learning; and Susan Rachouh, director, International and Intercultural Education.

The Department of Public Information, together with the Economic and Social Council, is a key focal point of the United Nations Secretariat for non-governmental organizations wishing to work with the organization. NGO members help to spread the work of the United Nations in significant ways. The newly named NGOs represent five regions of the world: Africa, Latin America, the Middle East, North America and Western Europe.

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