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## Ramapo to Host National History Honor Society Northeast Regional Conference

(MAHWAH, NJ) - The Salameno School of American and International Studies will be presenting the National History Honor Society Phi Alpha Theta Northeast Regional Conference on Saturday, April 20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Trustees Pavilion. The event includes a complimentary breakfast, opening remarks, four sessions of presentations, lunch and an induction and award ceremony. Graydon A. Tunstall, executive director of the National Headquarters of Phi Alpha Theta, will be delivering the keynote address.

The conference will feature 11 different panel discussions including: American Representation, 20<sup>th</sup> Century History, Race in America, 19<sup>th</sup> Century America, Revolutionary War, European Modernity, American Women, Fascism, Medieval History, Classical History and American Indian Education. All panel discussions will be led by professors and experts from around the country, including Ramapo College's own.

Thirty-eight student presenters who have submitted intriguing historical research will share their findings. As the hosting institution, 18 Ramapo College students will present, including another 20 from colleges throughout the region. Those institutions include Adelphi University, Allegheny College, Chestnut Hill College, The College of New Jersey, Fordham University, Hofstra University, Montclair State University, Saint Bonaventure University, Skidmore College and William Paterson University.

During the induction and award ceremony, new Ramapo College members of Phi Alpha Theta will be recognized. Award distinctions to the best panelists, as recommended by and selected by faculty members, will also be made.

Ramapo has been given the prestigious honor of being one of the select 33 schools elected to host a Phi Alpha Theta Regional Conference this year. Registration is free for Ramapo students and guests of panelists. Breakfast and afternoon refreshments are complimentary, but lunch is reserved only for paid registrants (\$30). To register or find out any additional information, please contact Professor Tae Yang Kwak at twak@ramapo.edu or (201) 684-7216.

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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.