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**INFORMATION SESSIONS SCHEDULED FOR RAMAPO COLLEGE'S SUMMER
YOUTH PROGRAMS AND ACADEMIC CAMPS**

MAHWAH, NJ—Middle school and high school students may now register for the full-day summer academic programs offered at Ramapo College of New Jersey. The academic programs include the Ramapo Explorers-STEM Middle School Academic Camp; Game Design for Teens; Electronic Music Production; Financial Literacy/Stock Market Trading Program and SAT Prep *Plus* College Immersion. Visit www.ramapo.edu/ramapocamps to sign up for upcoming May and June Information Sessions.

The **Ramapo Explorers-STEM Middle School Academic Camp** runs July 7-18 and July 21-August 1. It focuses on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) learning activities while having fun. The program is for middle school students entering seventh and eighth grades. Entering sixth graders may attend with a special recommendation by a teacher or guidance counselor. The Ramapo Explorers-STEM schedule consists of several educational programs. Campers explore STEM topics in a fun and interactive environment while advancing their problem-solving, critical thinking and teamwork abilities that are a part of the new national Common Core Standards. Campers follow a schedule from 9 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. which includes Hands-on Science, Robotics Rumble, Recreation, Real World Math, CSI: Crime Science Investigation, Olympic Robotics, *iReport* News, Science Meets Art. Students are taught by highly qualified certified middle school teachers and are supported by trained college-age counselors who are often teacher education majors. Early drop off and late pick up are offered. Information Sessions take place on May 4 from 4 to 5 p.m. and May 29 from 7 to 8 p.m.

Participants in the **Game Design for Teens** program learn game theory. They use Adobe Flash and ActionScript 3.0 to conceive, design and produce functional games for the Web. HTML5 and Javascript for mobile app development are also explored. Students develop and take home their own fully functional online game. Students may commute each day or reside on campus in comfortable, air-conditioned residence halls. Evening activities and weekend options that include special subject-related field trips are fully supervised by a Ramapo College faculty and well-trained college-age resident assistants. Information Sessions take place on May 4 from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. and June 10 from 7 to 8 p.m.

Participants in the **Electronic Music Production** program explore the software and hardware used in the production of electronic music. The software and hardware includes Apple Logic Pro, Avid Pro Tools Hardware and MIDI controllers as well as Ableton Live 9 Suite, Avid Pro Tools 10, Logic Pro, and Reason digital audio workstations. Students complete a track in the genre of their choice. Students may commute each day or reside on campus in comfortable, air-conditioned residence halls. Evening activities and weekend options that include special subject-

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The **Financial Literacy/Stock Market Trading Program** for high school students utilizes the college's Global Financial Markets Trading Laboratory in the Anisfield School of Business, which is accredited by the international Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB). The Financial Literacy/Stock Market Trading Program runs August 4-8. From 9 a.m. to noon, participants learn about budgeting and finances to prepare them for making sound financial decisions in the future. They learn about how to save money, the positive and negative effects of using credit cards and how to budget their personal finances that impact lifestyle choices. In the afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m., students interact with the latest software for simulated stock trading in the Trading Lab, an authentic stock market trading room complete with an electronic ticker display carrying financial data from multiple world markets. Students participate in games and competitions as they buy, sell and trade to build their own stock portfolios. No previous financial knowledge is necessary. Information Sessions take place on May 21 from 7 to 8 p.m. and June 22 from 4 to 5 p.m.

A **Princeton Review SAT Prep Plus College Immersion** program is offered for entering 11th and 12th graders and runs July 14-24. It includes four proctored SATs with detailed computer analysis of the results, 11 practice tests for the SAT and PSAT, extra online lessons, special college admissions seminars, and much more.

The Ramapo College of New Jersey youth/pre-college programs are directed by the College's Center for Innovative and Professional Learning. The Center supports postgraduate professional education, workforce development, and alternative learning. The Center also engages in internal and external educational partnerships to advance the College, and provides innovative continuous learning opportunities for community members of all ages.

For more information, contact the Ramapo College Center for Innovative and Professional Learning at (201) 684-7370 or visit www.ramapo.edu/ramapocamps.

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Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as sixth in the Best Regional Universities North category, 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 six 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.