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### **Ramapo College Receives High Ranking by *Washington Monthly* Magazine**

MAHWAH, N.J. -- Ramapo College of New Jersey has been ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in the category "Best Bang for the Buck Colleges in the Northeast" of the 2015 *Washington Monthly* College Guide and Rankings. This is the second year that Ramapo has been recognized, ranking 89<sup>th</sup> overall in 2014.

"Ramapo College is strongly committed to the success of all students, said Beth Barnett, Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs, Ramapo College. "We provide comprehensive and transformational educational experiences that prepare our students for successful lives after graduation. Our focus on affordability ensures continued access to a Ramapo College education."

*Washington Monthly's* college rankings rate institutions based on three criteria: social mobility, research and civic engagement. The magazine also rates colleges that are doing the best job of helping non-wealthy students attain marketable degrees at affordable prices.

The "Best Bang for the Buck" category lists colleges that are the best value for your money based on "net" (not sticker) price, how well they do graduating the students they admit, and whether those students go on to earn at least enough to pay off their loans.

The complete rankings can be found at <http://bit.ly/collegeguide2015>

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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 6,000 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 eight graduate programs as well as articulated programs with Rutgers, The State University 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.