## Ramapo College Ranked Fifth in Best Regional Colleges, North by *U.S. News & World Report*

MAHWAH, N.J. – Ramapo College of New Jersey again has been named among the top schools in the 2016 edition of "America's Best Colleges," released by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Ramapo was ranked number five in the Best Regional Universities, North category, moving up a notch from last year's ranking. Ranking criteria continued to distinguish Ramapo as a college dedicated to small class size, a strong first-year retention rate and loyal support from alumni.

"We are proud that Ramapo continues to be recognized for the value of the undergraduate liberal arts education it provides to students; one that pushes their boundaries and supports their development academically, socially, civically and personally," said Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs Christopher Romano. "It is our commitment to individualized attention and the development of close working relationships with our exceptional faculty for our students that makes us unique."

Institutions ranked in the Best Regional Universities category provide a full range of undergraduate and master's programs. The institutions included in this category were ranked by region-north, south, midwest and west. The *U.S. News* college rankings, which group schools based on categories created by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, is considered one of the most comprehensive research tool for students and parents considering higher education opportunities.

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