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'Friends of Ramapo' Membership Ideal for Gift-Giving

MAHWAH, N.J. – The Friends of Ramapo is a dynamic and thriving organization linking Ramapo College of New Jersey to its surrounding communities. Members participate in a wide range of activities from auditing classes to attending a variety of academic and cultural events. Memberships make a great gift for the holidays...for yourself or family and friends! Membership fees also support Ramapo student scholarships.

Exclusive to the Friends PLUS level of membership is a tuition waiver to audit three undergraduate courses per year. All Friends of Ramapo, including General members, enjoy a variety of benefits including a free parking pass, receipt of the Ramapo College magazine, use of the College library, discounts to select Berrie Center performances, and advance notice to special Friends of Ramapo events and activities. In addition, all are eligible to join the Bill Bradley Sports and Recreation Center for an additional fee.

The Friends of Ramapo sponsor cultural events for members and the community at large such as curator talks in the art galleries, concerts by the college's choral singing groups and lectures as well as helping to sponsor the Summer Concert Series.

Memberships may now be purchased or renewed online. For more information about membership benefits, course registration dates, upcoming events and all payment options please visit our website www.ramapo.edu/foundation/friends or contact jzellers@ramapo.edu.

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Ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as fifth in the Best Regional Public 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.