

RAMAPO COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY

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Ramapo Ranked Best Dorms in NJ, Top 30 Nationally

MAHWAH- For the fifth consecutive year, Ramapo College is ranked #1 for the best dorms across all public and private colleges and universities in New Jersey by Niche in its announcement of the *2022 Best College Dorms in America* ranking. Nationally, Ramapo advanced its ranking to be among the top 2% of all colleges and universities nationally and landed in the top 30 in the country for the first time.

“Ramapo is excited and proud of its consistent ranking as home to the best dorms in New Jersey,” said Christopher Romano, vice president of enrollment management and student affairs. “After a challenging two years for many students during the pandemic, we know that students are looking for a campus that offers a highly engaged, vibrant and safe residential experience.”

Per Niche, the Best College Dorms in America ranking is based on key statistics and student reviews. Top-ranked colleges offer outstanding campus housing that is safe and clean with modern amenities at reasonable prices. “The fact that our #1 ranking comes from our own student feedback reinforces Ramapo's commitment to put our students first,” Romano added.

Noting the essential value of a healthy and vibrant residential experience, Dean of Students Melissa Van Der Wall said, "At Ramapo, we recognize that students thrive academically and socially when the conditions within which they work, study, and live are as supportive as they are fulfilling." A featured review of the college recently submitted to Niche by an alumnus notes, "My time at Ramapo were some of the best years of my life. The faculty and staff genuinely care about students, the education is top-notch, and the students are kind and community-oriented. There are lots of clubs and organizations to get involved in. The campus and surrounding areas are breath-taking, and it's in close proximity to shopping and NYC. The residence halls really are as great as people say, and they are clearly the best in the state by far!"

Ramapo offers a variety of residential living, including first-year living in [Mackin](#), [Bischoff](#), and [Pine](#) Halls, to apartment-style living in the [College Park Apartments](#) to [The Village](#). To take a virtual tour of all Ramapo's residence areas, visit ramapo.edu/tours/residences. In addition to the seven residential areas, the Mahwah campus features state of the art classrooms, labs, and recreational facilities, and is ranked one of the 50 Most Beautiful College Campuses in America by CondeNast Traveler.

About Ramapo College

Ramapo College of New Jersey is the state's premier public liberal arts college and is committed to academic excellence through interdisciplinary and experiential learning, and international and intercultural understanding. The comprehensive college is situated among the beautiful Ramapo Mountains, is within commuting distance to New York City, was named one of the 50 Most

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Beautiful College Campuses in America by *CondeNast Traveler*, and boasts the best on-campus housing in New Jersey per Niche.com.

Ramapo College provides its students with individualized attention, mentorship, and supports; hands-on learning; and a range of opportunities for service and leadership development. Its graduation and retention rates exceed national averages and it places approximately 1,000 students per year in internships in New York City. The College is ranked #1 among New Jersey public institutions by *College Choice*; is recognized as the state's top college on the list of Best Disability Schools by *Great Value Colleges*; is designated a "Military Friendly College" in Victoria Media's *Guide to Military Friendly Schools*; and is recognized as a top college by *U.S. News & World Report*, *Kiplinger's*, *Princeton Review* and *Money* magazine, among others.

Ramapo College's over 40,000 alumni are the confident, intellectually curious, self-aware, and humble people who are highly sought after and who make a positive impact at local, national, and global levels. Ramapo College is distinguished as a Career Development College of Distinction by *CollegesofDistinction.com*. Every student at Ramapo is enrolled in its unique and award winning Pathways Program which equips and empowers students, across the continuum of their academic career, to secure internships, pursue graduate/professional school, and/or enter the job market.

Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, data science, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include business, education, nursing and social work. In addition, the College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels, and offers graduate programs leading to master's degrees in Accounting, Applied Mathematics, Business Administration, Contemporary Instructional Design, Computer Science, Creative Music Technology, Data Science, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Social Work and Special Education, as well as a Doctor of Nursing Practice.