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Accomplished researcher and senior administrator brings vast experience as a scholar and academic leader

MAHWAH, N.J. – In a strategic move to bolster academic excellence and innovation, Ramapo College of New Jersey is proud to announce the appointment of Dr. Joyce Shim as Vice Provost for Academic and Faculty Affairs.

Shim, who assumed the role on July 15, 2024, will oversee the development and implementation of academic policies, facilitate faculty affairs, and play a pivotal role in shaping the future of academic programs. Her experience and vision will be invaluable in supporting faculty and enhancing educational offerings to meet the evolving needs of Ramapo's students and communities.

"Our mission of academic excellence through interdisciplinary and experiential learning and international and intercultural understanding requires skilled and visionary academic leadership," said Ramapo College Provost <u>Dr. Michael Middleton</u>. "I am thrilled that Dr. Shim will join us in support of that mission. Her experience and vision will be invaluable in supporting our faculty and enhancing our educational offerings to meet the evolving needs of our students and communities."

Shim joins Ramapo from the State University of New York (SUNY) Delhi where she was instrumental in supporting faculty in their teaching and research endeavors, fostering an inclusive academic community, and supporting global education and sustainable innovation. She oversaw the restructuring of schools with responsibility for onsite and online degree programs spanning nursing and arts and sciences, which align with the College's digital learning and diversity initiatives.

Shim, a distinguished researcher and publisher, has been honored twice as a Fulbright Specialist (Russia 2018, Colombia 2021). She is also the recipient of the New Jersey Senate and General Assembly Awards for Contribution to Immigrant Communities, and currently serves on the board of Master Foundation and Transdiaspora Network.

Shim holds a doctorate and dual master's degrees from Columbia University and a bachelor's degree from Rutgers



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University-New Brunswick. She is a proud Korean American, daughter of immigrant parents,

and sister of a US Army Chaplain.

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