The Future of Society: Conflict, Culture, & Character
December 2, 2021

Background

“In a culture of discipline, people do not have jobs; they have responsibilities.”
-Jim Collins

Lauren Abbot referenced a survey that found that 70% of graduates prioritized working for ethical organizations, and 44% of graduates reported that they would choose a career that makes a difference in the world and changes lives over a higher salary. As we envision a future in which social responsibility and a commitment to service may be paramount, let’s consider the following takeaways from our readings:

- There are increasing calls for competences such as analysis and critical thinking, respect, civic-mindedness, responsibility, and self-efficacy; and
- Colleges and universities must be positioned to help address pressing societal issues (ranging from persistent inequalities around racial and ethnic lines to how self-driving cars will have to make ethical decisions).

Prompt

Identify up to two specific examples of opportunities that Ramapo College provides for our students or colleagues to develop a service/socially responsible orientation.

How might these examples be used to cultivate an organizational culture at Ramapo that derives its future successes by being, foremost, in the service of others?

SAVE THE DATES

- Brown Bag: Reflecting on the Future of Thought & the Future of Society | December 8, 2021: 12PM
- **The Future of Work: Learning & Labor | Spring 2022**
- Brown Bag: Reflecting on the Future of Work | Spring 2022
- **The Future of Ramapo: Readiness & Resolve | Spring 2022**
- Brown Bag: Reflecting on the Future of Ramapo | Spring 2022

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