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State Awards \$283K to Ramapo College to Enhance Inclusive Learning

MAHWAH, N.J. – Fostering inclusive learning environments will be the priority as Ramapo College embarks on new initiatives at the start of its new academic year. The State awarded Ramapo \$283,000 through its new Opportunity Meets Innovation Challenge (OMIC), a grant program aimed at bolstering the long-term resiliency of colleges and universities, especiall \$51(ess,)-3(aETQ0 g those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

According to a press release by New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy and Secretary of Higher Education Brian Bridges, institutions who receive funding will "implement vetted best practices that increase college completion, address barriers to student success, and develop sustainable systemic reforms."

The funding awarded to Ramapo

College's commitment to diversity and inclusion on campus and for continuing to acknowledge and embrace all individuals for their unique contributions and perspectives."

college on the list of Best Disability Schools by *Great Value Colleges*; was named one of the 50 Most Beautiful College Campuses in America by *CondeNast Traveler*, and is recognized as a top college by *U.S. News & World Report*, *M*, Princeton Review and *Money* magazine, among others. Ramapo College is also distinguished as a Career Development College of Distinction by Collegesof Distinction.com, boasts the best campus housing in New Jersey on Niche.com, and is designated a "Military Friendly College" in Victoria Media's *Guide to Military Friendly Schools*.

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, Business Administration, Creative Music Technology, Data Science, Educational Technology, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Social Work and Special Education, as well as a post-master's Doctor of Nursing Practice.