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The Richard Stockton College of NJ Among the Top Institutions in the Nation in Princeton Review's "Best Northeastern Colleges" Survey

Outstanding programs, excellent resources recognized

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Galloway Twp., NJ –The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey was one of 212 top institutions of higher education to be featured in the current edition of "The Best Northeastern Colleges" survey of the Princeton Review.

"We are pleased to have been recognized in a positive light by Princeton Review's 'Best Northeastern Colleges," President Herman J. Saatkamp Jr. said. This comes on the heels of a fine ranking in the respected *U.S. News and World Report*'s "America's Best Colleges" issue in which we moved up 14 places within the region's top tier. While no single ranking or article can be definitive, these publications serve as a useful tool for students and parents planning for college."

The Princeton Review surveys more than 50,000 students at the selected schools to obtain an "insider" look at each institution. There are six unique ratings based on a combination of student opinion and institutionally reported data. The following categories are explored: quality of campus facilities and student life, aspects of the student body, academics, admissions selectivity, financial aid, interesting professors and professors' accessibility.

Students characterize the campus as having ethnic diversity with a student body that is "environmentally-conscious". With a campus right on the edge of New Jersey's Pine Barrens, near the beach and with Atlantic City right around the corner, students cite the College's location as among the benefits of selecting Stockton.

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Erick Rodriguez-Jimenez, an International Business Major with an Economics minor was quoted as saying, "I found a college where beautiful pinelands, lakes and quality of education are blended together creating perfect harmony."

Stockton is known for the excellence and rigor of its academics as well. According to Britne Bernard, a student majoring in Marine Biology, Stockton appeals to her because of its "outstanding Marine Biology program. It is one of the best on the east coast."

A few of Stockton's well-known alumni were mentioned in the guide as well. Among them, were novelist Marcus Major; Dr. Michael Westerveld, Professor of Neuropsychology at Yale; Billiana Miteva, Project Manager of National Geographic's World Atlas and Jason Nelson of the Opera Academy of the Royal Danish Theatre.

The guide praised Stockton, stating that it "...is a midsized, 'extremely affordable,' 'transferfriendly' public school that 'provides a very well-rounded liberal arts education.' Classes are typically quite small and ... the business programs here are excellent. There are also outstanding programs in marine science.'"

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey is a selective, medium-sized, highly-ranked, public liberal arts college.

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