

STOCKTON COLLEGE

THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY



Richard Stockton College of NJ Tuition and Fees Announced for 2010-2011 Academic Year

College Committed to Affordable, Accessible Higher Education

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey announced a tuition and fee schedule for the 2010-2011 academic year that remains committed to educational quality, access and affordability. At the same time, the College is particularly mindful of its responsibility to students, parents and taxpayers during difficult financial times across the nation.

“Raising our tuition and fees is never something we are pleased to announce, although Stockton, as a highly ranked national college, remains an exceptional value,” said President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. “Once again we have kept these increases minimal without cutting faculty, programs or staff. In fact, we continue to add programs and to proceed with the construction on much needed new facilities. Our new and expanded facilities will increase access to a Stockton education as well as provide more community resources.”

For a typical incoming freshman student, the total cost of tuition, fees, room and board will increase by 2.6%, from \$20,867.94 in the fall of 2009 to \$21,404.15 in the fall of 2010.

Last year Stockton enrolled its largest freshman class ever, 870 students, and the College is on pace this year to admit a similar number, placing current College facilities at maximum capacity. “Our campus expansion addresses the statewide need for higher capacity,” Dr. Saatkamp said. “In addition to our role as an educational and cultural hub for the region, we are expanding facilities and services to our community at large.”

For fiscal year 2011, the Trustees approved a four percent increase in tuition and in educational and general fees. In-state, undergraduate tuition for a full-time student (flat rate for 12-20 credit hours per semester) will increase \$141.33, from \$3,533.28 to \$3,674.61. Educational and general fees will increase \$61.76, from \$1,544.00 to \$1,605.76. **-more-**

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Other fees driven by market considerations will increase by varying amounts. Facilities fees will increase by 6%, housing rates will increase an average of 3%, and meal plan rates will also increase by 3%.

Stockton remains in the mid-range of tuition and fees among the nine state colleges and universities. The College has instituted cost-savings and efficiency efforts campus-wide. These include its energy efficiency and work to reduce its “carbon footprint.” Long one of the “greenest” institutions of higher education in the nation, Stockton is committed to reducing operating costs and improving efficiency. The College is home to one of the largest closed-loop geothermal heating and cooling systems in the world, and a new Aquifer Thermal Energy System (ATES) system. Both projects utilize the area’s groundwater to assist in heating and cooling campus buildings and cut down on emissions. Solar panels have been added to buildings to increase energy efficiency and the newer buildings such as the new F-Wing, student residence halls and Campus Center achieved the highest level LEED energy ratings attainable.

The new Campus Center under construction and scheduled to open next year (on time and under budget) will improve services, increase classroom space, open opportunities for more students to attend Stockton. It is but one of more than a dozen construction projects currently underway on campus. “We accomplished this achievement despite sharply rising energy and other fixed costs, and continued cuts in state assistance,” Dr. Saatkamp added.

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