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Stockton Cuts Undergraduate Tuition for Summer Sessions by 10 Percent

Measure Enhances Affordability of Quality Education

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Galloway Township, NJ- In response to what the government has acknowledged as a recession in the U.S. economy, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey has taken action to help keep the cost of a college education within reach of more students and their families.

The Board of Trustees approved a resolution Wednesday, Dec. 10 that would cut tuition by 10 percent for all undergraduate courses during the upcoming Summer Sessions. The measure would reduce the per-credit cost of \$214.40 by \$21.40. For a typical four-credit course, the cost savings is \$85.60.

"In these difficult times for the nation's economy, we want to help families deal with the costs of higher education," Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr. said.

According to Dr. Jan Colijn, Dean of General Studies and Director of the Summer Sessions, Stockton students have long recognized the financial benefits of continuing with their studies during the summer months.

"Before the tuition reductions, our students were very aware they could graduate in less time, potentially saving thousands of dollars over the course of their undergraduate years," he said. "With this latest reduction, summer classes make a lot of financial sense for many of our students."

Among institutions its size (five-thousand to ten-thousand students), Stockton is the first public institution in New Jersey to take this step.

Saatkamp said that in addition to the tuition cut, Stockton would keep its 20 percent reduction on housing plans for its residential summer students.

"A significant feature of Stockton's institutional mission is to keep a college education accessible and affordable," Dr. Saatkamp said. "We hope the measures we have taken will enable more people to take advantage of Stockton's high quality courses and the residential experience."

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