

Rutgers Camden

History and Mission:

Rutgers-Camden is one of the three campuses of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, which was founded in 1766. This campus dates from the 1920s, when a group of interested citizens established the South Jersey Law School and the College of South Jersey. Those entities became part of the Rutgers system in 1950.

At present, Rutgers-Camden is a comprehensive campus with a broad range of undergraduate and graduate educational opportunities for a diverse and expanding group of students. Undergraduate programs of high quality, post-baccalaureate programs, distinguished graduate and professional education, and the creation of Research Centers and Service Initiatives focused on the campus's areas of expertise lie at the core of the vision for this campus.

The overarching mission of the units that comprise the Faculty of Arts and Sciences is both to be and be recognized as the premier public institution of higher learning in the region for undergraduate and Master's level education. Within that broad mission, each academic unit has a distinct purpose and set of goals.

- The College of Arts and Sciences provides excellent undergraduate liberal arts, professional, and pre-professional education; focuses on the value of a liberal arts education as preparation for lifelong learning; prepares students for graduate study and for the changing workplace of the twenty-first century; and provides opportunities in research guided by faculty members.
- The Graduate School provides outstanding programs to meet the intellectual and professional needs of people throughout the Delaware Valley and Southern New Jersey region and offers nationally recognized graduate programs. The Graduate School hopes to expand over the next decade by developing additional Master's programs and adding selected Ph.D. programs. It also seeks to increase collaborations with other institutions in the region.
- University College offers undergraduate programs of study, both on and off-campus, to adult part-time students whose responsibilities do not allow for full-time study during the day. Over the next decade, we expect to transform University College to meet the changing needs of adult learners.

College and Campus Structure:

The three Arts and Sciences divisions of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences – the College of Arts and Sciences, University College, and the Graduate School – together constitute the largest and most diverse academic units at the Camden Campus. The College of Arts and Sciences educates full-time undergraduate students in more than twenty-five majors; University College offers seven majors to part-time adult learners taking evening courses; and the Graduate School has nine programs for post-baccalaureate students earning Master's Degrees.

The campus is also home to the Law School and the School of Business. Provost Roger J. Dennis presides over the entire campus, while a dean leads each major academic division. Margaret Marsh directs the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Graduate School, while Rayman Solomon heads the Law School and Mitchell Koza guides the School of Business.