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# **Disclosures**

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## Academic Programs

Information concerning the university's current degree programs and other educational programs, the instructional, laboratory, and other physical facilities which relate to academic programs, and the institution's faculty and other instructional personnel is available in the Rutgers catalogs.

# Cost of Attending - Camden, Newark, and New Brunswick

Information concerning the cost of attending:

Rutgers University - Camden

Rutgers University - Newark

Rutgers University - New Brunswick

This estimate includes: tuition and fees charged to full-time and part-time students; estimates of costs for necessary books and supplies; estimates of typical charges for room and board; estimates of transportation costs for students; and any additional cost of a program in which a student is enrolled or expresses a specific interest. Additional information on tuition and fees.

## Drug Free Schools and Campuses Act

See <u>The Rutgers University Alcohol Policy</u>. Information on health risks associated with alcohol and information about the university's drug and alcohol programs is available at <u>University Health Services</u>. University standards of conduct related to drug and alcohol possession are set forth in the <u>University Code</u> of <u>Student Conduct</u>.

## Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act

In compliance with the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act, Rutgers provides information on men's and women's athletic programs, including the number of participants by gender for each varsity team, operating expenses, recruiting expenditures, athletically related student aid, and revenues. The first report was issued October 1996, with annual updates thereafter. The reports are available at the reference desks of the main branches of the university library system (Alexander Library, Library of Science and Medicine, Robeson Library, and Dana Library), and at the intercollegiate athletics offices. The U.S. Department of Education Office of Postsecondary Education Equity in Athletics Disclosure Website.

## Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA") is a federal law that gives students in higher education various rights with respect to their education records. Rights afforded to you under FERPA include the right to inspect and review your educational records, the right to request amendment of records you believe are inaccurate or misleading and the right to prevent disclosure of information from your educational records without your prior consent, subject to some specific exceptions.

The Office of Compliance and Student Policy and Judicial Affairs publishes an annual notice about your rights under FERPA.

FERPA permits disclosure of "directory information" such as name, phone number, address and e-mail address without your prior consent unless you specifically request that it be kept confidential. More information regarding directory information.

If you have questions about your rights under FERPA, you may contact the Office of Compliance, Student Policy, and Judicial Affairs at first floor Bishop House, College Avenue Campus, New Brunswick, NJ 08901, or 732/932-9414 or <a href="mailto:cspc@rci.rutgers.edu">cspc@rci.rutgers.edu</a>.

#### Financial Aid

Provided at the Office of Financial Aid (OFA) web site or at related sites linked to the OFA web site, is information on: need-based and non-need-based federal financial aid available to students; need-based and non-need-based state and institutional financial aid available to students; how students apply for aid and how eligibility is determined; how and when financial aid is disbursed; the rights and responsibilities of students receiving aid; the terms and conditions of student employment included in the financial aid package; the terms of, schedules for, and the necessity of loan repayment and required loan exit counseling; the terms and conditions under which students receiving federal education loans may obtain deferments for certain volunteer service; the Rutgers University Satisfactory Academic Progress policy; the availability of financial aid for study abroad programs; the availability of the Federal Student Loan Ombudsman; an estimate of the cost of attending Rutgers University; the treatment of federal financial aid in cases of total withdrawal; and who to contact with questions regarding financial aid.

#### **Graduation Rates**

The <u>IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey</u> is an annual report of graduation rates of the university's degree-seeking, full-time undergraduate students by gender and race/ethnicity, and by sport for those who received athletically related student aid.

## Institutional and Specialized Accreditation

Rutgers University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104-2680 (267/284-5000). The Middle States Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. That accreditation was reaffirmed in 2003 on the time of its last review. Documents describing the institution's accreditation may be downloaded from these university web sites:

http://oirap.rutgers.edu/reports/MSA

http://oirap.rutgers.edu/MSAPRR.html

http://middlestates.rutgers.edu

or reviewed during regular office hours by contacting the Office of Institutional Research and Academic Planning, Geology Hall, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 85 Somerset Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1281 (732/932-7956).

Certain programs on the Camden, Newark, and New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses of Rutgers are subject to specialized accreditation. The following associations and agencies accredit or approve university programs: AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business; Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, Inc.; Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education; American Bar Association; American Chemical Society; American Library Association; American Physical Therapy Association; American Psychological Association; American Society of Landscape Architects; Association of American Law Schools; Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education; Council on Education for Public Health; Council on Social Work Education; National Accrediting Agency for

Clinical Laboratory Sciences (program through The Cooper Health System); National Association of Schools of Dance; National Association of Schools of Music; National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration; Planning Accreditation Board; Teacher Education Accreditation Council. Documents describing accreditation or approval of university programs may be reviewed during regular office hours by contacting the Office of Institutional Research and Academic Planning.

### Institutional Refund Policy

The institutional refund policy (see the General Refund Policy on page 515) is the refund policy with which the institution is required to comply for the return of unearned tuition and fees or other refundable portions of costs paid to the university in the event a student decides to withdraw from the university.

#### Licensure

Rutgers University is duly licensed by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education. For more information, please contact its Office of Academic Affairs (609/292-2955). Documentation describing the university's licensing may be reviewed during regular office hours by contacting the Office of Institutional Research and Academic Planning, Geology Hall, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 85 Somerset Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1281 (732/932-7956).

# **Nondiscrimination Policy**

It is the policy of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, to make the benefits and services of its educational programs available to students, and to provide equal employment opportunity to all employees and applicants for employment, regardless of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, or veteran status. Questions concerning student rights violations should be addressed to the Office of Compliance, Student Policy, and Judicial Affairs at First Floor Bishop House, College Avenue Campus, New Brunswick, NJ 08901 (732/932-9414 / cspc@rci.rutgers.edu http://polcomp.rutgers.edu/non.shtml). Questions concerning harassment or employment discrimination should be directed to the Director, Office of Employment Equity (732/932-3020, ext. 4030). For complete text, see University Policy Section 60.1.8, Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action.

## **Public Safety Information**

Information regarding public safety at Rutgers is available in the annual security report "Safety Matters". For each of Rutgers regional campuses the report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Rutgers University; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from, the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, and other matters. To have a copy of "Safety Matters" mailed to you, please call the Rutgers University Police Department for the campus in which you are interested at one of the following numbers: Camden 856/225-6009; Newark 973/353-5581; New Brunswick 732/932-8407. Individual campus reports are accessible at http://publicsafety.rutgers.edu. The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires Rutgers to issue a statement advising the campus community where information concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. This information is accessible at the following website: <a href="http://www.nj.gov/">http://www.nj.gov/</a> njsp/info/reg sexoffend.html.

## Services for Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities at Rutgers are entitled to the same benefits, the same quality of student life, and are subject to the same academic requirements as other students. Rutgers is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to meet the needs of eligible students. The Office of Disability Support Services (732/932-2848 / dsoffice@rci.rutgers.edu / http://studentaffairs.rutgers.edu/disability/index. htm) coordinates accommodations for students with disabilities. Complaints or grievances regarding Rutgers' compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act may be directed to the Office of Compliance, Student Policy and Judicial Affairs (732/932-9414 / cspc@rci.rutgers.edu).

# Teacher Preparation Program Pass Rates

In compliance with the Higher Education Act, Rutgers provides data on Teacher Preparation Program pass rates and related issues. The pass rate at Rutgers for 2006 as 97%, while the statewide rate was 96%.

Complete information about the Teacher Education Program at Rutgers and more information on pass rates for the Teacher Education Program Completers from Rutgers can be found in the university's <u>Teacher Education Report</u> to the state. The state of New Jersey's report on the status of teacher certification is located at the <u>U.S. Department of Education.</u>

# **Voter Registration**

<u>New Jersey voter registration information</u> includes qualifications of an eligible applicant, the registration deadline to vote in the next election, voter registration application form, and address to mail application.

# Withdrawal from Institution - Undergraduate and Graduate

Information on the formal process concerning the requirements and procedures for undergraduate students seeking to officially withdraw from the university is available <a href="here">here</a>. Information on the formal process concerning the requirements and procedures for graduate students seeking to officially withdraw from the university is available in the respective <a href="graduate-school catalogs">graduate-school catalogs</a>.

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