

New Jersey Presidents' Council

Academic Issues Committee

March 27, 2026

Meeting Notes

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Patricia Greer – Berkeley College
David Stout – Brookdale Community College
George Abaunza – Caldwell University
Rafael Castilla - Eastwick College
Jonathan Mercanti – Kean University
Deborah Preston – Mercer County Community College
Nurdan S. Duzgoren-Aydin – Middlesex College
Susan Gupta – Monmouth University
Joanne Cote-Bonanno – Montclair State University
Kyle Dobbeck – Montclair State University
David Birdsell – New Jersey City University
Laurent Simon – New Jersey Institute of Technology
Michael Middleton – Ramapo College of New Jersey
Michael McDonough – Raritan Valley Community College
Annette LaCanna – Raritan Valley Community College
Grace Farber – Rowan University
Kim O’Halloran – Rutgers, The State University
Patricia Heindel – Saint Elizabeth University
Tracey Meilander – Stockton University
Donna Rogalski - OSHE
Eric Taylor – OSHE
Lori Harris-Ransom – OSHE
Jordyn Roy - OSHE
Allison Samay – NJPC

II. Approval of Meeting Notes of the February 27, 2026 Meeting

Rafael Castilla moved for the approval of the February 27, 2026_meeting notes. Patricia Heindel seconded the motion. Meeting notes were approved.

III. Report from the Chair

IV. New Programs

1. Caldwell University

A. Master of Science (M.S.) Business Analytics (CIP 52.1301)

First Reader: David Birdsell, New Jersey City University

Second Reader: Laurent Simon, New Jersey Institute of Technology

The motion to recommend that the proposal **not be approved** was passed.

2. Montclair State University

- A. Doctor of Psychology (Psy.D.) School Psychology (CIP 42.2805)

First Reader: Rafael Castilla, Eastwick College

Second Reader: George Abaunza, Caldwell University

The motion to recommend that the proposal **be approved** was passed.

3. New Jersey Institute of Technology

- A. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Software and Data Engineering Technology (CIP 15.1204)

First Reader: Michael Middleton, Ramapo College of New Jersey

Second Reader: Jonathan Mercanti, Kean University

The motion to recommend that the proposal **not be approved** was passed.

- B. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Construction Management Technology (CIP 15.0101)

First Reader: Kim O'Halloran, Rutgers, The State University

Second Reader: Grace Farber, Rowan University

The motion to recommend that the proposal **not be approved** was passed.

- C. Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Biomedical Engineering Technology (CIP 15.9999)

First Reader: Deborah Preston, Mercer County Community College

Second Reader: David Stout, Brookdale Community College

The motion to recommend that the proposal **not be approved** was passed.

V. For Your Information

1. Fairleigh Dickinson University

- A. New Program Options:

Title: Bachelor of Arts in Individualized Studies (BAIS): Professional Studies Concentration

CIP Code: 24.0101

Credits Required: 120

Title: Bachelor of Arts in Hospitality: Healthcare Hospitality Concentration (undergraduate)

CIP Code: 52.9999

Credits Required: 120

Title: Master of Arts in Hospitality: Healthcare Hospitality Concentration (graduate)
CIP Code: 52.0901
Credits Required: 30 credits

B. New Certificate Programs:

Title: Undergraduate Certificate in Leadership
CIP Code: 52.0213
Credits: 12

Title: Undergraduate Certificate in Artificial Intelligence (AI)
CIP Code: 11.0102
Credits: 12

Title: Undergraduate Certificate in International Collaboration
CIP Code: 30.2000
Credits: 12

Title: Graduate Certificate in Counseling Psychology
CIP Code: 42.0101
Credits: 9

Title: Graduate Certificate in Basic and Applied Psychology
CIP Code: 42.0101
Credits: 9

Title: Paralegal Studies Certificate Program
CIP Code: 22.0302
Credits: 0 (non-credit certificate)

Title: Physical Assessment in Clinical Psychopharmacology
CIP Code: 42.2709
Credits: 0 (non-credit certificate)

C. Change in Nomenclature:

Current Title: Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Individualized Studies
New Title: Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Interdisciplinary Studies
CIP Code: 24.0102
Credits: 120

2. Felician University

A. Initiation of Graduate Certificate Offerings

School Administration Certificate	CIP 13.0411
School of Business Administrator Certificate	CIP 13.0401

Graduate Certificate in Instructional Design and Technology	CIP 13.0501
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- B. Business and Information Sciences addition of several online concentrations within the existing MBA program in collaboration with RIZE Education

Business Analytic	CIP 30.7102
Finance	CIP 52.0801
Artificial Intelligence	CIP 11.0102
Cyber Security	CIP 43.0401

3. Middlesex College

- A. New Program Option

Nursing Associate Degree Program: Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)-to-Registered Nurse (RN) Bridge Program
CIP Code: 51.3801

- B. Nomenclature Change

Current Title: Radiography Education
New Title: Radiography
CIP Code: 51.0911

4. New Jersey Institute of Technology

- A. New Graduate-Level Certificate Program

Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine
(CIP 14.0501)

5. Ocean County College

- A. Nomenclature Change

Current Title: Associate in Arts (A.A) Performing Arts
New Title: Associate in Arts (A.A.) Fine and Performing Arts
CIP Code: 50.0101

Current Title: Associate in Science (A.S.) Graphic Arts, Design, and Media
New Title: Associate in Science (A.S.) Media, Communication, and Design
CIP Code: 50.0102

6. Passaic County Community College

- A. Nomenclature Change

Current Title: Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) Computer Information Technology
Technical Support Option
New Title: Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) Computer Information Technology
Database and Cloud Technology Option
CIP Code: 52.1201

7. Rowan College at Burlington County

A. New Certificate Programs

Certificate of Achievement in Baking and Pastry - SPC.BKP
(CIP 12.0501)

Certificate of Achievement in Culinary - SPC.CUL
(CIP 12.0501)

8. Stockton University

A. New Undergraduate Certificate Program

Entrepreneurship Certificate
(CIP 52.0701)

VI. Old Business
None

VII. New Business

VIII. Licensure Matters
None

IX. Adjournment