

New Jersey Presidents' Council
Academic Issues Committee
May 22, 2026
Meeting Notes

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Patricia Greer – Berkeley College
David Stout – Brookdale Community College
Jeff Senese – Caldwell University
George Abaunza – Caldwell University
Rafael Castilla - Eastwick College
Jonathan Mercanti – Kean University
Robert Schreyer – Mercer County Community College
Nurdan S. Duzgoren-Aydin – Middlesex College
Richard Veit – Monmouth University
Fatma Mili – Montclair State University
Joanne Cote-Bonanno – Montclair State University
Kyle Dobbeck – Montclair State University
David Birdsell – New Jersey City University
Samuel Lieber – New Jersey Institute of Technology
Michael Middleton – Ramapo College of New Jersey
Michael McDonough – Raritan Valley Community College
Annette LaCanna – Raritan Valley Community College
Patricia Heindel – Saint Elizabeth University
Tracey Meilander – Stockton University
Jennifer Palmgren – The College of New Jersey
Donna Rogalski - OSHE
Eric Taylor – OSHE
Lori Harris-Ransom – OSHE
Adrian Wright - OSHE
Allison Samay – NJPC

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

Rafael Castilla moved to approve the March 27, 2026_meeting notes. Richard Veit seconded the motion. Meeting notes were approved.

III. Report from the Chair

1. New Programs

AIMS Education College of Health Sciences

A. Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S) in Nuclear Medicine Technology (CIP 51.0905)

First Reader: David Stout, Brookdale Community College

Second Reader: Fatma Mili, Montclair State University

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

2. Caldwell University

- A. Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Counselor Education and Supervision with Emphasis in Expressive Therapies (CIP 51.1508)

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

Second Reader: Tracey Meilander, Stockton University

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

IV. For Your Information

1. AIMS Education College of Health Sciences

- A. Notification of Program Termination:

Anesthesia Technician Certificate Program (CIP 51.0809)

2. Atlantic Cape Community College

- A. New Degree Options:

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Option, Computer Programming, A.A.S.
(CIP: 47.0616)

Data Science and Analytics Option, Mathematics, A.S. (CIP: 30.7001)

3. Berkeley College

- A. Addition of an AI and Business Analytics Concentration:

Master of Business Administration (MBA) in Management (CIP 52.1399)

4. Caldwell University

- A. New Degree Program Option and Change in CIP Code for Existing Degree Program:

Existing Program Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Studies

CIP Code 09.0101 – Speech Communication and Rhetoric

New CIP Code:

CIP Code 09.0702 – Digital Communication and Media/Multimedia

Existing Program Options/Concentrations: [Updated Titles]

Digital Content Creation and Production

Film and Documentary Storytelling

Media, Society, and Culture

Strategic Business Communication and Media

5. County College of Morris

A. New Certificate of Achievement

Bookkeeping Certificate of Achievement (CIP 52.0302)

B. Program Deletion

Small Business Management Certificate of Achievement (CIP 52.0703)

6. Hudson County Community College

A. Initiation of New Proficiency Certificates

Initiation of a New Proficiency Certificate in Computer Forensics (CIP 11.1003)

Initiation of a New Proficiency Certificate in Ethical Hacking (CIP 11.1003)

7. Kean University

A. Wenzhou-Kean University Course Offering Notification

M.S. Environmental Management, degree beginning Fall 2027 (CIP 03.0101)

B. New Non-Degree Graduate Certificate Program

Nonprofit and Philanthropic Management (CIP 52.0206)

C. New Program Option

M.A. Criminal Justice, Administration of Justice option (CIP 43.0103)

8. Montclair State University

A. New Graduate Certificate

Program-level: Mast.Cert.
Healthcare Management (CIP 51.0701)

B. New Undergraduate Certificates

Program-level: Pre-Bachelor's
Applied Spanish for the Professions (CIP 16.0905)

Program-level: Pre-Bachelor's
Esports Management (CIP 31.0504)

Program-level: Pre-Bachelor's
Science Writing for STEM Majors (CIP 23.1303)

Program-level: Pre-Bachelor's
Stewardship, Community History, and Opportunities for Leadership and Academic
Readiness (SCHOLAR) (CIP 24.0102)

9. New Jersey Institute of Technology

A. New Graduate-Level Certificate Programs

AI in Biomedicine (CIP 14.0501)

Biorobotics (CIP 14.0501)

B. New Graduate-Level Professional Certificate Program

Biopharmaceutical Engineering (CIP 14.0702)

C. New Program Option

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Forensic Science: Crime Scene Investigation Concentration
(CIP 43.0406)

10. Ramapo College of New Jersey

A. Nomenclature Changes

Current Title: Business Analytics to Business Analytics

New Title: Applied Artificial Intelligence (Minor Degree, No CIP Code)

Current Title: Humanities and Global Studies Contract Major

New Title: Interdisciplinary Studies (CIP 24.0101)

(Note from Institution: The inventory lists as Liberal Studies, which needs to change to Interdisciplinary Studies with the same CIP code)

B. New Minor Degree Program

Cybersecurity (Minor Degree, No CIP Code)

11. Rowan College of South Jersey

A. New Certificates of Achievement

CNC Operator (CNC) (CIP 15.1199)
 Electromechanic Technician (CIP 15.0399)
 Programmable Logic Controller Technician (CIP 15.1199)
 Quality Control in Manufacturing (CIP 15.0702)

12. Rowan University

A. New Certificates

Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Diplomatic Studies	45.0901 International Relations and Affairs
Certificate of Undergraduate Study in Digital Humanities	30.5202 Digital Humanities
Certificate of Graduate Study in Translational Orthopedic Device Science	14.0501 Bioengineering and Biomedical Engineering
Certificate of Graduate Study in Translational Biomedical Innovation and Commercialization	51.0722 Healthcare Innovation
Certificate of Graduate Study in Marketing	52.1401 Marketing/ Marketing Management, General
Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Nursing Informatics	51.3808 Nursing Science

B. New Concentrations

Undergraduate Concentration in Keyboard Performance	50.0903 Music Performance, General
Undergraduate Concentration in Vocal Performance	50.0903 Music Performance, General
Undergraduate Concentration in Liberal Studies Humanities & Social Science Sequence: Pre-Law	22.0001 Pre-Law Studies
Undergraduate Concentration in Clinical & Counseling Psychology	42.2899 Clinical, Counseling and Applied Psychology, Other

C. Nomenclature Changes

<i>From:</i> Master of Arts in Diversity and Inclusion <i>To:</i> Master of Arts in Community, Culture, and Change	30.2301 Intercultural/Multicultural and Diversity Studies
<i>From:</i> Certificate of Graduate Study in Diversity and Inclusion <i>To:</i> Certificate of Graduate Study in Community, Culture, and Change	30.2301 Intercultural/Multicultural and Diversity Studies
<i>From:</i> Minor in Management Information <i>To:</i> Minor in Information Systems	11.0101 Computer and Information Sciences, General
<i>From:</i> Concentration in Performance <i>To:</i> Concentration in Instrumental Performance	50.0903 Music Performance, General
<i>From:</i> Certificate of Graduate Study in Special Education <i>To:</i> Certificate of Graduate Study in Foundations of Special Education	13.1001 Special Education and Teaching, General
<i>From:</i> Graduate Concentration in Supply Chain and Logistical Systems <i>To:</i> Graduate Concentration in Supply Chain and Logistics	52.0203 Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management

13. Raritan Valley Community College

A. New Certificate of Completion

Hybrid and Electric Vehicles (47.0604)

14. Stockton University

A. New Program Options

Business Management Fundamentals in Hospitality Certificate (CIP 52.0901)

Speech-Language Pathology Preparation Certificate (CIP 51.0201)

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics – Economics Concentration) (CIP 27.0101)

B. Nomenclature Change

Current title: Master of Science in Communication Science and Disorders

New title: Master of Science in Speech-Language Pathology (CIP 51.0201)

Current title: The Master of Business Administration – Concentration in Financial Forensic Investigations

New title: Master of Business Administration – Concentration in Management Accounting (CIP code 52.0201)

15. The College of New Jersey

A. New Graduate Certificate

Conducting (50.0906)

16. Union College of Union County, NJ

A. Intent to Terminate Program

Blockchain Technology Option offered through Business Management, A.A.S. (52.0201)

17. Warren County Community College

A. New Program Option

Associate of Science (A.S.) UAS Unmanned Systems, Precision Agriculture Option (49.0199)

V. Old Business

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 **be approved** was passed.

2. County College of Morris

A. Associate of Science (A.S.) Cybersecurity (CIP 11.1003)

First Reader: Rafael Castilla, Eastwick College

Second Reader: Michael McDonough, Raritan Valley Community College

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

B. Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Diagnostic Medical Sonography (CIP 51.0910)

First Reader: Patricia Greer, Berkeley College

Second Reader: Michael Middleton, Ramapo College of New Jersey

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

3. Fairleigh Dickinson University

- A. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Digital and Multimedia Storytelling (CIP 50.0102)

First Reader: Richard Veit, Monmouth University

Second Reader: Rafael Castilla, Eastwick College

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

4. 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 Mercantini, Kean University

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

5. Thomas Edison State University

- A. Change in Degree Designation

Current: Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Criminal Justice

New: Bachelor of Science (BS) in Criminal Justice (CIP 43.0104)

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

6. Passaic County Community College

- A. Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Diagnostic Medical Sonography (CIP 51.0910)

First Reader: Rafael Castilla, Eastwick College

Second Reader: Patricia Greer, Berkley College

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

7. Rowan College at Burlington County

- A. Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Esports (CIP 50.0411)

First Reader: David Stout, Brookdale Community College

Second Reader: Michael McDonough, Raritan Valley Community College

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

VI. New Business

VII. Licensure Matters

1. **Petition from Notre Dame of Maryland University Licensure to Offer Dual Enrollment Courses**

http://www.state.nj.us/highereducation/highedddocs/NDMU_Re-licensure_2025.pdf

Password: Green!2025 (case sensitive)

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PDF combined document includes and is bookmarked:

- Petition
- NJ Institution Comments Received
- Response to NJ Comments Received
- Consultant's CV
- Consultant's Report
- Response to Consultant's Report

Readers:

Mission Statement and Long
Range Plans (p. 45-48):

Michael McDonough, Raritan Valley Community
College

Organization and Administration
(p. 49-54):

George Abaunza, Caldwell University

Finances (p. 59-58):

Jonathan Mercantini, Kean University

Faculty (p. 59-65):	Tracey Meilander, Stockton University
Library (p 65-70):	Michael Middleton, Ramapo College of New Jersey
Students and Student Success (p. 71-79):	David Birdsell, New Jersey City University
Physical Facilities (p. 79-80):	Nurdan Duzgoren-Aydin, Middlesex College
Academics (p. 81-99)	Kim O'Halloran, Rutgers, The State University

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

VIII. Adjournment