



### Resolution Policy

	Action Item
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**Date: March 1, 2019**

**RE: Senate Resolution : 190301-2**

#### **Resolution on Four Year Degrees at County Colleges**

The Rowan University Senate enthusiastically supports our partnerships with both Rowan College of Gloucester County and Rowan College of Burlington County. Our affiliations with those institutions have created new opportunities for thousands of residents of New Jersey and the surrounding regions, providing students with high quality Rowan University degrees at an affordable price. Our faculty have worked with our colleagues at RCGC and RCBC to develop programs in Law and Justice, Nursing, Psychology, Communication, Liberal Studies, Biology, Computing and Informatics, Inclusive Education, Mechanical Engineering Technology, and Electrical Engineering Technology. We look forward to creating additional high-quality degrees with our county college partners.

We recently learned that Salem County College plans to offer the first four year bachelors degree at a two year college in New Jersey, and other county colleges have indicated they may attempt to offer their own similar degrees. We have very serious concerns with those plans. None of the New Jersey county colleges have any experience with four year degrees, and we doubt they could offer the quality programs our students deserve.

We look forward to continuing to offer BA and BS degrees on the campuses of our county college partners. However, if either RCGC or RCBC decides to offer four year degrees on their own, we would urge the President and the Board of Trustees to immediately remove the Rowan name from those institutions. It would be unfair and deceptive for those institutions to market their own degrees under the Rowan name.

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