



SIXTH ANNUAL
Commencement

CLASS OF 2025

Cumberland Campus

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ROWAN COLLEGE OF SOUTH JERSEY MISSION

Rowan College of South Jersey is a student success-oriented, accessible, and affordable learning center dedicated to enhancing its community's economic development and quality of life by striving for academic excellence in offering innovative programs and services to a diverse community of learners in a safe and caring environment.



Academic Excellence



College Excellence



Athletic Excellence



Student Excellence



Veterans Excellence



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ROWAN COLLEGE OF SOUTH JERSEY

CUMBERLAND CAMPUS

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025

Special Recognition

THE HONORS ADORNMENTS

An honor cord, stole or tassel is symbolic of a student's achievements throughout their academic career, either through accomplishing a certain grade point average, being a member of a particular honor society or club, or graduating from a particular school or department within the institution.

- Alpha Alpha Alpha (AAA), the National Honor Society for First-Generation College Students, wear blue and silver twist cords.
- Alpha Beta Gamma (ABG), the Business Honor Society, wear satin blue stoles.
- Alpha Delta Nu (ADN), the Nursing Honor Society, wear peach cords.
- Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF), students wear white stoles with royal blue trim. EOF Honor students wear royal blue and gold twist cords.
- Graduates who made a gift to the College Foundation wear a green cord signifying their commitment to philanthropy and support of future RCSJ students.
- Honors students whose cumulative grade point average is 3.75 – 4.0 are designated as honors graduates and wear a gold tassel.
- Lambda Alpha Epsilon, the Criminal Justice Honor Society, wear a blue and gold ribbon.
- Lambda Nu, the Radiography Honor Society, wear maroon and forest green cords.
- Lambda Epsilon Chi (LEX), the National Paralegal Honor Society, wear a solid purple cord; purple and gold sash.
- Mu Alpha Theta, the Math Honor Society, wear cords of teal and gold.
- National Society for Leadership and Success wear a black and red pin with the NSLS insignia and cords of black and platinum.
- New Jersey STARS graduates wear a medallion designating their academic award.
- Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), the Academic Honor Society, wear gold stoles with the PTK insignia in the corner and a gold tassel on their mortar boards. Discipline-specific honor society members wear distinctively colored cords.
- Student Government Association wear a royal blue and red double-tied cord.
- Student Nurse Organization graduates wear a silver twist cord.
- Veterans wear a red, white and blue twist cord.

PHI THETA KAPPA

Members of the Rowan College of South Jersey graduating class who have been inducted into Phi Theta Kappa wear a gold stole and tassel during commencement exercises. Phi Theta Kappa is recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges as the official international honor society for two-year colleges. Members have grade point averages of 3.50 or higher and have an asterisk (*) following their name in the list of student graduates.

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (4.0 Grade Point Average)

Recipients have a pound/hashtag (#) following their name in the list of student graduates.

TEACHING AND ADVISING AWARDS

RCSJ is proud to present our outstanding educators and advisors with the following awards:

Teaching Excellence Award

Cumberland Campus - Dr. William Addison,
Division of Behavioral Science and Law
& Social Justice

Gloucester Campus - Barbara Domurat Turner,
DBA, MSCS, CDMP
Division of Business Studies

Adjunct Faculty of the Year

Cumberland Campus - James Ney, M.A.
Division of Behavioral Science and Law
& Social Justice

Gloucester Campus - Carole McNaughton, M.A.
Division of Behavioral Science and Law
& Social Justice

Academic Advisor of the Year

Cumberland Campus - Brianna Smith

Gloucester Campus - April Kellum

Program

CUMBERLAND CAMPUS

Trumpet Fanfare	Rowan College of South Jersey Wind Symphony
Prelude and Procession.....	Pomp & Circumstance, Elgar
Flag Bearers	Jada Love and Tahira Walker, RCSJ Military Services Students
Grand Marshal	Shelly Dean, RCSJ Associate Professor, Computer Science
Introduction of Vocalist.....	Gene J. Concordia, RCSJ Board of Trustees Chair
The National Anthem.....	Madison Manno, RCSJ National Society of Leadership & Success (Sigma Alpha Pi - NSLS) Inaugural President, Phi Theta Kappa Member, Liberal Arts Elementary /Secondary Education Major Rowan College of South Jersey Wind Symphony
Introduction of Invocation	Gene J. Concordia
Invocation.....	Reverend Dr. James A. Dunkins
Welcoming Remarks.....	Gene J. Concordia
Greetings	James Sauro, Cumberland County Commissioner Director
Special Remarks	Dr. Frederick Keating, RCSJ President <i>Jada Love</i> <i>Tahira Walker</i> <i>Evelyn Chavez Lopez</i> <i>Christian DeLeon</i> <i>Megan Perry</i> <i>Kyle Wright</i>
Introduction of Student Speaker	Dr. Frederick Keating
Student Speaker.....	Megan Perry, RCSJ President of Phi Theta Kappa — Rho Gamma Chapter, 2023 – 2024 Student Government Association Executive Vice President, Psychology Major
Recognition.....	Dr. James Piccone, RCSJ Vice President & Chief Administrative Officer, Cumberland Campus Judith Atkinson, RCSJ Vice President, Chief Student Affairs Officer
Presentation of Candidates for Associate Degrees and Certificates.....	Dr. Brenden Rickards, RCSJ Provost & Vice President, Academic Services
Conferral of Associate Degrees and Certificates	Gene J. Concordia
Alumni Welcome	Mayra Arroyo, M.S., B.S., A.A.S., Cumberland County College Class of 1991, Coordinator, University Transfer Services, University Advising Services, Rowan University
Introduction of Student Charge	Dr. James Piccone
Charge	Alexandra Wang, Student Government Association, Digital Marketing Major
Recessional	

The Class of 2025 CUMBERLAND CAMPUS

— Division of Behavioral Science and Law & Social Justice —

A.S. Criminal Justice

Mariadelaluz Andres
Jasmine Chavez Hernandez
Isabella Colon
Kareem Amir Foster
Julissa Mercado
Gisselle J. Perez
Vanessa Santiago Alvarado
Arrianis Nicole Santos
Libny Daniela Say Sian
Tamera Lashay Wiggs

A.S. Criminal Justice/Forensics & Technology

Jayson Jeremy Baez
Daijany Benitez Torres
Morgan Arianna Briggs
Damaris Mayoral Vargas
Lanie Meenan
Gabriel David Riley
Madeline Rosas

A.S. Justice Studies

Darlene Nicole Abriola
Ramon Isaiah Anglero
Kevin Brian Baran *
Sophia G. Chiari *
Joseph Robert Cills
Liam Christopher Daly
Kimberly Johanna Garcia
Cooper Dave Levick
Yeisabel Matias
Alessandra Xiamara Melendez
Ryan Albert Quinn *

Jessica Marie Ritter
Anthony Carson Santiago
Ta-Ziah Montasha Shnea Sapp
Perry Joseph Stanger

A.A. Liberal Arts/Art Therapy

Daniela Cortazar
Abrielle D. Hill

A.A. Liberal Arts/Social Science

Christine I. Forand
Judith Ramos
Lari V. Schwegel
Catherine M. Snyder
Kyle Payne Wright

A.A. Psychology

Madelyn Marie Bratton
Lauryn Taylor Brown
Jonathan Antonio Collazo
Arianna Marie Cruz
Estephania V. Cruz Echavarria
Alana Del Rossi
Cecely Ann Dominguez
Lauren Rose Giordano *
Alexander Jacob Guadalupe
Nicole Marie Guzman
Gabriella Anne Hartman
Lola Saige Jimenez
Jerika C. Lopez
Dahlia X. Lopez
Katelyn K. Metcalf *
Terista Precious Mickey
Victoria Beatriz Moore *

Destiny S. Morgan
Megan E. Perry *
Regan M. Plowman
Gwendalyn Lily Porter
Luz M. Ramirez
Rubi Ramos
Samuel Alexander Reyes
Angelina Marie Smith #
Jonathan Jasper Taylor * #
Abigail K. Vazquez #
Tahira R. Walker #
Zachary Michael Wentzell * #
Charisma L. Wilke

A.S. Social Service

Essence A. Armstead #
Porcha L. Barrett #
Nedra D. Broughton #
Bella Leelee Burton
Shemeka L. Childers
Jennifer R. Hamblin *
Tyiana L. Jackson
Danielle L. Jenkins *
Tori A. King
Miriah Monet Loatman
Michelle Munoz
Sabrina J. Passarella
Ella Suzanne Rivera
Cassandra Janay Saldana
Starr Ty Lynn Samuels
Kabrina M. Sandfort
Christina M. Strang
Robin C. Young

— Division of Business Studies —

A.A.S. Accounting

Rebecca Jaden Butcher
Maritza Camacho
Dominic Bruno Capelli
Mariah D. Cruz
Jennifer Perez Perez
Allen E. Welden *
Juana Beririana West
Benson Zhu

A.S. Business Administration

Juline Arthur
Sheyla K. Ascencio
Gladys Chavez Garcia
Kiada Suehailey Cruz
Michael J. Daniels
Peyton Elwell
Nathan Jay Flores
Gina M. Frandino

Joshua David Gelona
Alyssa Marie Giercyk
Brian Joseph Hoadley *
Jasmine Selina Holmes
Wayne Holt
Mackenzie Johnson
Mayrani G. Lopez Hernandez
Jada Monae Elizabeth Love
Maribel Pastrana Mendoza

Jollette Nayelit Morales
 Brandi Marie Noble
 Nina C. Pantalone
 Ty Aaron Powell #
 Jake A. Raguckas
 Ethan James Rio
 Abigail Marie Thurston
 Quentin Andrew Torres
 Katherine E. Webster
 Zujeydi Anahi Zunun

A.A.S. Business Management

Jessica Chavez-Lopez
 Leif Michael Hudyma *
 Mateo Medina
 Christian Mendieta Tlapa
 Egypt Milliana Owens

A.A.S. Business Management/ Entrepreneurship

Luke Jordan Surkin

A.A.S. Computer Graphic Arts - Interactive/Game Design

Elric Nicolas Figueroa-Montero
 Darya Kosheleva
 Elliana Lynn Stewart *
 Cesar Alberto Vargas

A.A.S. Computer Graphic Arts - Print Design

Juan L. Perez-Andon
 Jada Lee Quiles
 Daisy K. Ramirez *
 Mya Shree Shrieves
 Laurel Renee Wells

A.S. Computer Information Systems

Rauno Kuusk
 Luciano Guillermo Sanchez
 Jalisa Mae Thompson *

A.A.S. Digital Marketing

Alexandra Wang

A.S. Human Resource Management

Taylor Lee Caldwell
 Fernanda I. Cuadrado
 Lesley A. Flores

— Division of Communication and Creative & Performing Arts —

A.F.A. Fine Arts

Isabella Maria Amberths
 Katherine L. Daniels
 Maliajoy E. Mora

A.F.A. Fine Arts/Theater/Acting

Mario Anthony Carastro
 Abigail G. Mathis *
 Madison Mercedes Pearce

A.A. Integrated Marketing Communications & Public Relations

Rahimenur Akisler
 Kaylin Chavey Cho

A.A. Liberal Arts/Art Education

Kara R. Majeske

A.A. Liberal Arts/Design/Fine Arts

Rebecca Jimenez *
 John Matthew Leon Toledo

A.A. Liberal Arts/Radio, Television, & Film Option

Kiara Bautista
 Wyatt Samuel Briggs
 Alex Calixto *
 Ava Cohen
 Jacob Colon
 Sofia Graiff
 Matthew Lawrence Neri

A.A. Liberal Arts/Strategic & Digital Communications

Tasheika A. Scott
 Logan A. Townsend

— Division of Education & Humanities —

A.A.S. Early Childhood/ Preschool Education

Jesenia Ascue
 Edamia Barrios
 Stefanie S. Calixto
 Sidney M. Gabriel
 Heather R. Garrison
 Alondra Claudia Perez *

A.A. Liberal Arts

Zodiac Abbott
 Jacob Dylan Adams
 Gabriella Catherine Albert
 Isabella Jane Albert
 Adaeze Susan Anene
 Nataly Arreola
 Karisa Bailey

Bania Yolocsin Barrera
 Taliyah Basir Bey
 Sophie Marie Bauman
 Sadie Rose Beebe
 Ava Bermudez
 Olivia Born *
 Roman Borodavka
 Jack Walker Bruley
 Emillie Nadine Buckingham
 Johnathon Micheal Burgess
 Natalie Burkhart
 Daniela Calderon Mena
 Georgina Chalow
 MacKenzie Chalow - Moore
 Joshua Colon
 Isabella Cooney
 Antony Coque #
 Alejandro Cruz Perez

Yakeline Cruz Santiago
 Dominic John DeFeo
 Steven J. DeJesus Roman
 Peter Jarrett DeLcollo
 Dina M. DeStefano
 Zachary Doss
 Dominic Finian Felice
 Rosmally Felipe Galvez
 Gina Lynay Fiocchi
 Camille Juliana Forte
 Olivia J. Fransko
 Jimmy Guzman
 Lukas Warren Harrington
 Amy Hasher
 Hailey Hemingway
 Elizbet Hernandez Ruiz
 Greyson M. Hindermeyer
 Isabella Judith Howard

Division of Education & Humanities continued

Karley Paige Hulitt
Brandon Kristofer Iversen
Kennedy Grace Jacobs
Josiah Michael Jimenez
Anayeli Guadalupe Jimenez-Reyes
Olivia Jaelynn Johnson
Erinn Athena-Renee Jordan
Asher J. Kennedy
Emma M. Lloyd
Karla Fernanda Luna
Felisberto Keshawn Maceia
Justin Mastro *
Sindy Janely Matiaz Velazquez
Kansas Raeden McGraw
Layla McKenzie
John Alexis Mendoza Merino
Blake Ryan Walter Modri *
Carly Muller
Summer Elizabeth Rose Nasatka
Emily J. O'Donnell
Alisa Ann Orr
Rosangela Panzini *
Kailynne R. Peters
Parker David Phillips
Jacqueline Rachel Puglia
Estefania Ramos Mendoza
Elizabeth Reyes Santiago
Jenise Marie Rosa

Aleyda Estefany Ruiz
Jada Lynn Schenck Garcia
Samantha Olivia Seay
Kennedy Isabella Seeley
Jacqueline Silverio
Olivia Elizabeth Solomon * #
MacKenzie Ella Stahlberger
Lauren Beth Stanger
Shea Anne Staniec
Clarence Wesley Street
Alexandra Torres Emiliano
Samuel Christopher Vidro
Seth Vitagliano
Bryden Iles Welch
Aniyah Whittaker
Gabrielle Abigail Yacabell

**A.A. Liberal Arts/Elementary/
Secondary Education**

Marwa A. Alomari
Leonides Jasmin Calderon
Cassidy Daisy Camp
Sadie Elizabeth Davis #
Denisha Claude' Days
Ariana DelRossi
Karlee Elizabeth Farrell
Rhyann Shianne Goldsborough

Moniesha J. Griggs *
Hannah Lee Halter
Rebecca Leigh Hardman
Rosa Linda Hernandez
Flor P. Hernandez Bautista
Zion Phillip Johnson
Angelina R. Kenelia
Carly Lynn Lee
Lizbeth Lewis *
Madison Ray Manno *
Katelyn K. Metcalf *
Rhiannon Necole Nash
Kiani Mariea Pernell
Shannon Marie Peterson
Karina Kay Soone
Araceli Soriano
Yumery Soriano
Annamary Noell Straub *
Matthew Owen Ward

A.A. Liberal Arts/History

William Gordon Welch

A.A. Liberal Arts/Literature

Aviana Karine McIntosh
Meliana A. Soriano

— Division of Nursing & Health Professions —

**A.S. Biological Science/
Health Science**

Arisdelsi Acevedo
Genesis J. Afanador-Diaz
Virginia Alavez Hernandez
Alexandra Alvarado
Lexie T. Baptiste
Kylee Black
Destiny Angelica Bones
Skylar Brooks
Evelyn Chavez-Lopez
Cassie Nicole Clark
Layla M. Colon
Genevieve Conlon
Kendall Marie Corbett
Maria Alejandra Cruz
Cecilia Ann DeSimone
MacKenzie L. Erlenbusch
Vincent J. Fehre
Gianna Kylie Fiske
Priscila Garcia
Isabel Simone Gazzara
Khrystina Elisia Geigel
Jessica Gonzalez
Madison Michelle Holtz
James A. Johnson

Niya Sierra Johnson
Darnell L. Lawrence * #
Cindy Christine Leandry
Sofia Carolina Lopez-Rosales
Ava Nichole Martine
Jenicca S. Medina
Diana Miranda
Destiny S. Morgan
Hadyn Clark Mulherin *
Christopher Neri *
Evelin Olmedo
Ana Maria Patiño *
Maria Jose Patiño *
Bailey P. Pennino
Alyna Carmen Perez
Heavyn Wendy Perez
Adriana Perez Cornelio
Yesenia Perez Lino
Christopher William Pritchard *
Taryn Laurel Richie
Janiel Rivera
Melissa Carolina Rivera Marin
Nina R. Rizzi
Taleah Hilda-Ann Robinson
David A. Rodriguez
Daniela Roman Ocampo

Leila C. Sabio-Grant
Melanie Sanchez *
Reese Edward Sanderlin
Katelyn M. Santiago
Guadalupe Santos Landero
Morgan Jade Schaffer
Katlyn A. Sedeyn *
Antonia E. Sherman
Juan M. Silverio Reyes
Domonic Maria Solomon
Yulinnette Soriano
Jacqueline Vargas Uribe
Anoushka Yenigalla

A.A.S. Health Science

Gabrielle Sophia Akiatan
Aimee Boos
Jimena Carmona
Ashley Nicole Cooper
Lauren Faith Emeigh
Jan Carlos Encarnacion Reyes
Nicole Janell Figueroa
Guadalupe Flores-Tapia
Arly Garcia
Rylee Gwen Hannah
Denise R. Hopewell

Isenaida S. Joseph
 Sibel Kangal
 Alejandra Lara
 Jennifer Okeke
 Jacselyn Osorio
 Aridais Perez
 Evelin T. Portillo-Cuellar
 Melissa Ramirez-Montes
 Aaliyah Reyes
 Yazmine Sophia Rico Cruz
 Anthony Josias Rivera
 Wendy Alyssa Rodriguez
 Alyza Marie Santana
 Morgan Jade Schaffer
 Bethany A. Sheppard
 Ethan Tomas Spinnato
 Gianna Faith Weldon
 Chloe Madison Wilson

A.A.S. Nursing

Adrianna Elizabeth Barnes *
 Salea T. Cameron
 Alexia Michelle Corneal
 Eileen M. Costa *
 Brandan Luis DeJesus
 Pamela J. Dunns
 MacKenzie L. Erlenbusch
 Jasmine R. Figueroa *

Mackenzie Elizabeth Froelich
 Bailey E. Halter
 Connor Matthew Hunt *
 Robin Ismael Javier Lapaz
 Madelyn R. Lee
 Arianna Marie Luciano
 Stacey N. Owens
 Bailey P. Pennino
 April L. Pettit
 Abigail Louise Pierce
 Al'asia Powell
 Ciany Icolett Reyes
 Hailey L. Roller
 Alexis Mariah Saddler
 Hannay Salazar
 Jessica L. Salerno
 Sheri R. Samuels
 Jessica Ivelisse Santiago
 Maurice G. Sherrod
 Rebeccah Ann Smyth
 Yarelynn Soriano *
 Samantha S. Todd

A.S. Occupational Therapy Assistant

Stephanie L. Pierce

CERT Practical Nursing

Kassandra M. Abraham
 Zachary Dalton
 Janayre Evette Green
 Amie Harris
 Yisel Perez
 Beth Ann Russell
 Alexis Marie Russo
 Rebecca A. Slimm

A.A.S. Radiography

Aldrin M. Alday
 Nick Frank Altobelli
 Kayla Batchelor
 Nynah Nicole Cannon
 Lucas Scott Driscoll
 Taylor Fearon
 Vincent J. Fehre
 Gregory John Gray
 Stephanie M. Hamby
 Lazzar I. Lifschitz
 Georgina C. McCullough
 Hazel Emerald Negron
 Meaghan K. Newton *
 Thaniel J. Perez
 Amy Roberts *
 Michael J. Velazquez

— Division of Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math —

A.A.S. Agribusiness

Allison J. Smith

A.S. Arts & Sciences

Jordan Everton Belvett
 Robert Anthony Chapdelaine
 Jalissa Lynn Cortes
 Michael Adin Echevarria
 Erin Alexis Kraus
 Liam Barr McManus
 Andrew Alexander Nayda
 Janvi Patel
 Chad Anthony Sciore
 Sania Sidhu
 Christian Dominick Vanes

A.S. Biological Science

Koyekinami T. Abali
 Simone Blanding *
 Zahria Lyndsay Brooks
 Christian Jacob DeLeon *
 Kamryn Janae DuBenion
 Stephanie M. Hamby
 Addison Mancill
 Santiago Ariel Mondragon * #
 Tyla Angel Nottingham *
 Emily M. Praul *

Anthony Andre Romero *
 Tatiana Lynn Romero
 Jolin Shi
 Karly Anne Smaniotto

A.S. Chemistry: Pre-Pharm D. Option

Geelany Joan Candelaria

A.S. Computer Science

Magdalena Angeles Jimenez
 Tylyssa J. Arnold *
 Seth Bermudez
 Matthew Leonard Garcillano
 Owen James Griebau
 Karen Guadarrama
 Octavius James Johnson *
 Chase Kristovich #
 Juan A. Monje
 Terry Michael Morelli *
 Diana Pasichnyk
 Jonathan Genaro Ramos
 Christopher Riley
 Isaac Rivera
 Rachel Lizette Salvatierra
 Cameron J. Schreiner
 Parthivsinh DiPaksinh Virpura
 Connor Logan Watson

A.S. Cyber Security

Tye Herbert Carney
 Jeremiah Edward Feltes
 Suley Mary Gonzalez
 Daniel Iboch Chay
 Mehmet A. Kocgar
 Scott B. Mutschler Jr.
 Gianna N. Pantaleo
 Joshua D. Reynolds

Division of Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math continued

A.A.S. Electrical Engineering Technology

Marcus Allen Harmon Jr. *
Jake Edward Horner
Juan Carlos Leon Galvez
Nathias L. Martinez *
Bryan Martinez-Rodriguez
Valeryi Medynskyi
Matthew James Meiswinkle
Anthony James Nanni
Michael Donovan Parmer
Tristan Scull
Elijah Thomas
Jason Matthew Williams Jr.

A.S. Engineering

Brandon Lee Clifford *
Andrew Joslin Crain
Josh Andrew Huertas

A.A.S. Horticulture

Caleb Joseph Brown
Jacqueline Marie Gicker *
Jason D. Murray
Samantha Michelle Palmer

A.A.S. Mechanical Engineering Technology

Junior Cuevas Hernandez
Kristina Marie Marrero
Sorayah Merino
Jocelyn Perez
Mickoy Jerome Smith

— Advanced & Continuous Studies —

A.S. Advanced & Continuous Studies

Poleth Garcia *
Jesse Ryan Karcher
Andre T. Matthews
Daniela Lizbeth Mendez Cruz
Payton Reilly Mundorf *
Selena E. Rhett
Jason Roblero

Rowan College of South Jersey is pleased to award the A.S. degree in Advanced and Continuous Studies to 3+1 students who have completed their third year of study across eleven academic majors. These students will begin their fourth year at Rowan University to pursue a bachelor's degree in their respective majors.

This program includes candidates who applied for graduation. Since final action cannot always be taken before the program is printed, Rowan College of South Jersey reserves the right to add or withdraw names.



*2025 President's
Awards Ceremony*

Student Awards

Scholarships and Achievements

Dr. James Piccone, *Vice President & Chief Administrative Officer*

NJ STARSTylissa J. Arnold

School Counts!Daniela Cortazar

President's Awards for Excellence in Programs of Study

Dr. Brenden B. Rickards, *Provost & Vice President, Academic Services*

Division of Behavioral Science and Law & Social Justice

Jan Hanselman, *Dean*

A.A. Psychology..... Angelina M. Smith
A.S. Social Service Ella S. Rivera
A.A. Liberal Arts/Social Science Lari V. Schwegel
A.S. Criminal Justice/
Forensics & Technology Lanie Meenan
A.S. Justice Studies Ryan A. Quinn
A.A. Liberal Arts/Art Therapy..... Abrielle D. Hill

Division of Business Studies

Dr. Dominic Puggi, *Dean*

A.A.S. Accounting..... Dominic B. Capelli
A.S. Business Administration Ty A. Powell
A.A.S. Business Management Leif M. Hudyma
A.A.S. Computer Graphic Arts:
Interactive/Game Design..... Elliana L. Stewart
A.A.S. Computer Graphic Arts:
Print Design Daisy K. Ramirez
A.S. Computer Information Systems Rauno Kuusk

Division of Communication and Creative & Performing Arts

Marcela Savelski, *Dean*

A.F.A. Fine Arts Maliajoy E. Mora
A.F.A. Fine Arts/Theater/Acting Abigail G. Mathis
A.A. Liberal Arts/Radio,
Television & Film Option Jacob Colon
A.A. Liberal Arts/
Literature Option..... Aviana K. McIntosh

Division of Education and Humanities

Dr. Paul Rufino, *Dean*

A.A.S. Early Childhood/
Preschool Education Alondra C. Perez
A.A. Liberal Arts Elementary/
Secondary Education Sadie E. Davis

Division of Nursing and Health Professions

Dr. Susan E. Hall, *Dean*

A.S. Biological Science/
Health Science Darnell L. Lawrence, Jr.
A.A.S. Health Science Nicole J. Figueroa
A.A.S Nursing..... Brandon L. DeJesus
A.A.S Radiography..... Meaghan K. Newton
A.C. Practical Nursing..... Zachary Dalton

Division of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

Diane Trace, *Dean*

A.S. Arts & Sciences..... Erin A. Kraus
A.S. Biological Science Santiago A. Mondragon
A.S. Chemistry:
Pre-Pharm D. Option Geelany J. Candelaria
A.S. Computer Science..... Chase Kristovich
A.S. Cyber Security Gianna N. Pantaleo
A.S. Engineering..... Brandon L. Clifford
A.A.S. Electrical
Engineering Technology Marcus A. Harmon, Jr.
A.A.S. Mechanical
Engineering Technology Junior Cuevas
Hernandez
A.A.S. Horticulture Samantha M. Palmer

Phi Theta Kappa

Jennifer Riggio
Chapter Advisor

All-USA Community College Academic Team

Megan E. Perry
Shelby L. Donoflio

Phi Theta Kappa Officers

President Megan E. Perry
Vice President Shelby L. Donoflio

Honor Society Leaders

Dr. Brenden B. Rickards
Provost & Vice President, Academic Services

Alpha Alpha Alpha..... Evelyn Chavez-Lopez
Alpha Beta Gamma..... Zoey Risley
Alpha Delta Nu Madelyn R. Lee
Lambda Alpha Epsilon..... Ryan A. Quinn
Lambda Nu Amy Roberts

President's Award for Academic Excellence (4.0 GPA)

Dr. Brenden B. Rickards
Provost & Vice President, Academic Services

A.A. Liberal Arts General..... Antony Coque
A.S. Computer Science..... Chase Kristovich
A.S. Biological Science/
Health Science Darnell L. Lawrence, Jr.
A.S. Biological Science..... Santiago A. Mondragon
A.S. Business Administration Ty A. Powell
A.A. Psychology..... Angelina M. Smith
A.A. Liberal Arts General..... Olivia E. Solomon

President's Award for Achievement in Leadership & Service

Dr. Kellie W. Slade
Executive Director, Student Services

Student Athletes of the Year

Male Athlete..... Ty A. Powell
Female Athlete Summer E. Nasatka

Student Government Association Officers

President Juan Tinoco-Maximo
Vice President Jeremiah J. Smith

Club/Organization Student Leaders

Creatives Club..... Leanne M. Zielinski
Criminal Justice Society Ryan A. Quinn
Cru Club Daesean C. Telfair
Cybersecurity Club..... Andrew T. Drinkwater
Gaming Club Julian M. Quinn
Hortus Club Caleb Brown
Latin American Club..... Geovaniel I. Serrano Ortiz
Media Production Club..... Jacob Colon
Practical Nursing Organization..... Rebecca A. Slimm
Radiography Club Kayla Batchelor
Rotaract Club Isha Shah
Sexuality and Gender
Awareness (SAGA)..... Elric N. Figueroa-Montero
STEM Club..... Christian J. DeLeon
Student Nursing Organization..... Madelyn M. Vazquez

Student Life Awards

Outstanding Club of the Year..... Creatives Club
Outstanding Student
Employee of the Year Marisol Ponce
Outstanding Student
Leader of the Year Daesean C. Telfair

Club/Organization Advisors

Creatives Club Jacqueline Greenwell
Criminal Justice Society Dr. Charles Kocher
Cru Club Michele Zakian
Cybersecurity Club Melanie Ridgway
Gaming Club Yajaira Montero
Hortus Club Michelle Briles
Latin American Club Shirley Santos
Media Production Club Nathaniel Clark
Practical Nursing Organization..... Emily Chamberlain
Radiography Club Natasha Cordero
Rotaract Club Beatrice Hughes
Sexuality and Gender Awareness Katherine Givens
STEM Club Esther Rodriguez
Student Nursing Organization Amanda Cocking
Yoga Club..... Ahmad Graves-El

Outstanding Club

Advisor of the Year..... Michele Zakian

Interpreter from Elite Sign Professionals

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A Banner Year

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Alpha Psi Pi – Gloucester Campus

- Five Star Chapter Award
- Middle States Region Star Chapter
- REACH Chapter Award

Rho Gamma – Cumberland Campus

- Five Star Chapter Award
- Middle States Region Star Chapter
- Middle States Region, Distinguished Officer Team Award
- REACH Chapter Award
- Top 10 Regional 2025 Distinguished Chapter Officer Team

College Administration & Chapter Advisors

- Paragon Award for New Advisors, Alpha Psi Pi – *Alejandra Valencia*
- Distinguished Advisor Award for more than 4 years of service, Alpha Psi Pi – *Shawn Rutter*
- Distinguished Advisor Team Award, Alpha Psi Pi – *Shawn Rutter & Alejandra Valencia*
- Paragon Award for New Advisors, Rho Gamma – *Jennifer Riggio*
- Honorary Member, Alpha Psi Pi – *Carthornia Kouroupos*

Congratulations to RCSJ's Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished Students

Bania Barrera, Rho Gamma – Bridgeton, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Kayla Bowers, Alpha Psi Pi – Williamstown, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Icelyn Casanova, Alpha Psi Pi – Sewell, NJ

New Jersey All-State
Academic Team Scholar

Jeffrey Corliss, Alpha Psi Pi – Williamstown, NJ

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Member Award
2025 PTK International
Officer Candidate

Shelby Donoflio, Rho Gamma – Millville, NJ

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Award
Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Team Award
Nominee for All-USA
Academic Team Scholar
New Jersey All-State
Academic Team Scholar
Top 10 Regional 2025
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Team

Briana Ebie, Alpha Psi Pi – Blackwood, NJ

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Award

2025-2026 Middle States
Region, New Jersey State
President

Completion of PTK Edge
Program

Distinguished PTK Member
Chapter Recognition

Nominee for All-USA
Academic Team Scholar

New Jersey All-State
Academic Team Scholar

Richard Figuracion, Alpha Psi Pi – Sewell, NJ

International Recognition,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Award

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Award

Destiny Gonzalez, Rho Gamma – Millville, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Natalie Hess, Alpha Psi Pi – Laurel Springs, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Octavius Johnson, Alpha Psi Pi – Millville, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Erin Kraus, Rho Gamma – Vineland, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Diara McGriff, Rho Gamma – Bridgeton, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Samara Krautwald, Alpha Psi Pi – Vineland, NJ

Certificate of Recognition,
Regional Officer Campaign
Manager

Megan Perry, Rho Gamma – Newfield, NJ

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Award

Middle States Region,
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Team Award

Nominee for All-USA
Academic Team Scholar

New Jersey All-State
Academic Team Scholar

Top 10 Regional 2025
Distinguished Chapter
Officer Team

Mya Shrieves, Rho Gamma – Vineland, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Elijah Thomas, Rho Gamma – Bridgeton, NJ

Golden Scholarship
Opportunity Recipient

Roxann Thomas, Alpha Psi Pi – Franklinville, NJ

Pinnacle Scholarship
Recipient

Berfin Yilmaz, Alpha Psi Pi – Philadelphia, PA

Nominee for All-USA
Academic Team Scholar
New Jersey All-State
Academic Team Scholar

Distinguished Alumni

Paul Abrams
Mayra Arroyo
Nicholas Asselta
Kathy Balin
Darlene Barber
Michael Barruzza
Dr. Bathsheba “Babs” Bennett
Louise Bertacchi
Ella Boykin
Jane Christy
Dr. Paul Clements
Walter Clements
Joseph DeLuca
Sandra Dietrich
Jeffrey DuBois
Kenneth Figgs
James Forcinito
Dr. Mary Gruccio
Viola Hughes
Dr. Cadmus Hull
The Honorable Harold Johnson
Constance Johnson
Linda Jones
Stephen Jones
Terry Kuhnreich
Dr. Leon Leach
Glenn Lillie
Col. Barbara Logan
John Lore
Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Soraida Martinez
Joaquin Martinez
Dr. Margaret Merkel
Norman Neill
Patricia Newton
Lt. Col. Gwyn Parris-Atwell
Bruce Peterson
Joyce Powell
Paula Ring
James Rocco
Dr. Lorraine Sheppard
Michelle TenBrook
Stephen Testa

Dear RCSJ Class of 2025,

You did it—congratulations, graduate!

On behalf of the Rowan College of South Jersey Alumni Association, we are thrilled to welcome you into a proud community of alumni stretching back nearly 60 years. Whether you studied at Gloucester or Cumberland, whether your journey took two years or more, today is the result of your hard work, grit, and belief in what is possible. That deserves to be celebrated—big time.

This moment didn’t happen by accident. It happened because you showed up, stuck with it, and gave your all. And as you turn the page to whatever comes next—career, more school, or something brand new—know this: you’re not doing it alone. You now belong to a network of RCSJ graduates who are out there making a difference, uplifting others, and continuing to grow. And now, you are one of them.

This year, we’re leaning into the wise words of American essayist Ralph Waldo Emerson: “Make the most of yourself, for that is all there is of you.” It’s a powerful reminder that your greatest gift to the world is showing up as your fullest, most authentic self. So, whether you’re stepping into the workforce, continuing your education, or still figuring out your path, remember that becoming your best self is a lifelong journey—and it’s worth everything you’ve got.

The RCSJ Alumni Association is here to be part of that journey. We are more than a mailing list—we’re a resource, a support system, and a way to stay connected to a community that wants to see you succeed. Want to give back? Mentor a student, volunteer, or attend an event and say hello. We would love that. The door is always open.

So, as you head into this next chapter, keep growing. Keep showing up. And keep making the most of yourself—because there’s only one you, and the world needs what you bring to it.

We can’t wait to hear what you do next.

With pride and warmest wishes,

The Rowan College of South Jersey
Alumni Association

