

Rowan Choice: FRESHMEN GET THE "COLLEGE EXPERIENCE" AT A REDUCED COST

Deptford Twp. – There's a "new" college experience available to freshmen looking to attend Rowan University this September, and the savings are substantial.

Premier partner Rowan University and Rowan College at Gloucester County (RCGC) have connected another link between the two institutions, this time offering incoming University freshmen a way to save up to \$10,000 while still enjoying campus life. The new initiative, Rowan Choice, allows 250 students to select a one-year option to live on Rowan's main Glassboro campus while taking RCGC classes. Room and board are charged at the University price, but tuition and fees are calculated at the community college cost.

Students enrolled in the Rowan Choice program may pursue 30-college credits, all which have been reviewed and approved by both institutions. Academic advising, financial aid counseling, course registration and tutoring assistance are provided by RCGC staff. As long as students meet program requirements, college credits seamlessly transfer for their sophomore year. The majority of courses taught on the Rowan University campus will be located in the Enterprise Center on Rowan Boulevard, with additional electives accessible less than 15 minutes away at RCGC. A shuttle service will run between the two campuses.

"This is a great opportunity for first-year students who have selected Rowan University as their school of choice, want the college experience of living on campus but are looking for a way to reduce the cost and loan debt," said RCGC President Frederick Keating. "Rowan Choice offers students access to a quality education that is affordable and transferable."

At an estimated annual cost of approximately \$12,650 for tuition, fees, room and board, the Rowan Choice program is an ideal fit for students who may have just missed earning a Rowan University merit scholarship or for parents looking to save money while still providing their children with a residential college experience.

Rowan Choice is open to all in-state freshman applicants; however, seats are limited. Interested students must first apply to Rowan University before completing the Rowan Choice interest form. Once accepted into the program, a \$300 deposit is required to hold a seat.

Rowan Choice students enrolled in the program receive all rights and privileges to university amenities, including use of the recreation center, intramural sports and library, as well as student life events, clubs and organizations. Exceptions to the program include involvement in NCAA Division III athletics and Greek life. Rowan Choice students are eligible to play on RCGC athletic teams.

"With the University's popularity dramatically increasing over the past year, their 2014-15 freshman applications up more than 30 percent and academic competition growing, Rowan Choice offers students a different approach to getting accepted and earning a bachelor's degree from Rowan," noted Keating.

For more information, visit Rowanchoice.com.

Rowan College at Gloucester County is located on a 250-acre campus on Tanyard Road, Deptford, just off Exit 56 of Route 55.