

# GRADUATE

## Rider University's Vision and Mission

### Rider's Vision

Rider University will be a premier, forward-looking university known for its Engaged Learning Program that, together with dynamic academic programs, enriching co-curricular experiences and a vibrant living and learning community, challenges students, excites their imaginations and instills in them excellence in thought and action, preparing them for highly engaged and fulfilling professional and personal lives.

### Rider's Mission

Rider University welcomes students from throughout the region, across the nation, and around the world who seek to be challenged and supported as active members of our inclusive and vibrant living and learning community. Committed to student growth, transformation and leadership, we connect rigorous academic, artistic and professional programs of study with a rich array of learning experiences that engage students inside and outside the classroom. We prepare graduates to thrive professionally and to be lifelong independent learners and responsible citizens who embrace diversity, support the common good, and contribute meaningfully to the changing world in which they live and work.

Our students, alumni, faculty, staff and administrators live the **RIDER PROMISE** by being forever:

Prepared to contribute meaningfully to the changing world in which they live and work

Respectful of all people, rights, freedoms and individual differences

Open to a life of independent learning

Motivated to be responsible citizens who support the common good

Innovative, creative and resourceful

Skilled and thriving professionals, educators, artists and performers

Engaged in their communities as leaders and role models

## Accreditations

Rider University is regionally accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

The University also holds many specialized accreditations that attest to the quality of its academic programs. Rider is among the select business schools to have attained AACSB International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business) accreditation. Elementary and secondary education programs and their applicable graduate programs on both campuses are accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). The undergraduate and graduate music programs of Westminster Choir College are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). In addition, Rider's graduate counseling services program in the School of Education holds the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP) national accreditation, and its school psychology program holds the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) accreditation.

Rider's B.S. Chemistry program is approved by the Professional Training of the American Chemical Society.

Rider University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I for both men's and women's athletics. The University offers 20 sports—10 men's and 10 women's teams. Rider is a member of the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC), Eastern Wrestling League (EWL) and the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC).

## Notice of the Title IX Coordinator

As a community of educators and learners, Rider University is committed to fostering an environment dedicated to learning and mutual respect as reflected in the University's mission, Statement of Community Values, Anti-Harassment and Non-Discrimination Policy and Title IX. All students, faculty, administrators and staff at the University have the right to expect an environment that allows them to enjoy the full benefits of their work or learning experience. The University, therefore, does not condone violations of its Anti-Harassment and Non-Discrimination Policy and treats all allegations about violations very seriously. As outlined in the Anti-Harassment and Non-Discrimination Policy ([www.rider.edu/ahnd](http://www.rider.edu/ahnd)) ([http://www.rider.edu/sites/default/files/docs/anti-harassment-non-discrimination-2015-16\\_v08012016.pdf](http://www.rider.edu/sites/default/files/docs/anti-harassment-non-discrimination-2015-16_v08012016.pdf)), the University prohibits all forms of discrimination, harassment, sexual assault, sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking.

Rider University is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

No one will be denied employment at, admission to, or the opportunity to participate in educational programs and activities at the University on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, handicap/disability, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, ethnicity, status as a Vietnam-era qualified disabled veteran or other protected veteran, or status as a member of any other protected class under federal or state law. The University does not discriminate on the basis of any of the aforementioned protected bases in the recruitment and admission of students, the recruitment and employment of faculty, administrators and staff, and the operation of any of its programs and activities.

The Associate Vice President for Human Resources serves as both the Affirmative Action Officer and the Title IX Coordinator for the University, and is the resource available to anyone seeking additional information or wishing to file a complaint related to Affirmative Action and discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, handicap/disability, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, ethnicity, status as a Vietnam-era, qualified disabled veteran or other protected veteran, or status as a member of any other protected class under federal or state law.

The Affirmative Action Officer and the Title IX Coordinator for the University may be contacted as follows:

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