



Stockton Provost Kesselman Selected to Attend Prestigious Leadership Academy

Mays Landing Resident is One of 20 Public Educators Named Nationally

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Dr. Harvey Kesselman, provost and executive vice president of the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, has been selected as one of only 40 college administrators in the nation and one of only 20 from public colleges, to attend the prestigious Executive Leadership Academy (ELA).

The Academy is a joint program of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the American Academic Leadership Institute and the Council of Independent Colleges, that prepares experienced cabinet officers to become successful presidents and chancellors. To this end it includes national seminars, readings, executive coaching, mentorship experience and more.

In nominating Dr. Kesselman for the ELA, President Herman Saatkamp stressed his years of dedication to the College, first as a student and his pivotal role in the growth of the college in a myriad of administrative roles including Vice President for Student Affairs, CEO of the Southern Regional Institute (SRI) and Educational Technology Training Center (ETTC), Interim Vice President for Administration and Finance, Dean of the School of Education and currently as Provost.

“Dr Kesselman has an innate sense of how to lead and a keen understanding of the issues facing higher education in New Jersey and nationally,” Dr. Saatkamp said. “He exemplifies, at a superior level, the qualities sought (by the ELA’s selection committee).”

The ELA addresses the changing role of today's college president that must include such factors as institutional fit, government relations, fundraising, financial management and a number of additional aspects.

"It is gratifying that Dr. Saatkamp has demonstrated the confidence in me to make his generous nomination, and humbling to have been selected," Dr. Kesselman said. "This Academy will be challenging and it will provide the opportunity for Stockton to benefit from my participation. I plan on working hard to justify this nomination and selection and to represent Stockton."