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## I. Scholarships and Fellowships

### **BARD COLLEGE AT SIMON'S ROCK ENCOURAGES INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TO APPLY FOR ACCELERATION TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM (AEP) SCHOLARSHIPS TO BEGIN COLLEGE EARLY**

The Acceleration to Excellence Program undergraduate scholarships are merit awards that cover up to the full cost of tuition for students who apply to Simon's Rock during the tenth or eleventh grade and who have outstanding academic and extracurricular achievement. The AEP deadline is February 1 each year. (<http://www.simons-rock.edu/admission/tuition-and-financial-aid/scholarships/new-student-scholarships/>)

Simon's Rock has been a leader in the early college movement for over 40 years and continues to distinguish itself as the only residential college in the United States specifically designed to provide bright, motivated students with the opportunity to begin college immediately after the tenth or eleventh grade. At Simon's Rock, students experience a transformative education in the liberal arts and sciences in the company of smart, independent, creative peers who share their excitement for learning and their desire to be part of a vibrant intellectual community. Students who successfully complete the requirements receive the Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree after two years of study and the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree after four.

For more information, visit <http://www.simons-rock.edu>.

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## II. News You Can Use

### **FASCINATING NEW COLLEGE COURSES ADDED TO "OPEN YALE COURSES," THE UNIVERSITY'S FREE EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVE, AVAILABLE TO ANYONE WITH ACCESS TO THE INTERNET.**

Open Yale Courses provides free and open access to a selection of introductory courses taught by distinguished teachers and scholars at Yale University. The aim of the project is to expand access to educational materials for all who wish to learn.

Open Yale Courses is one of the most frequently visited Yale websites: more than one million unique visitors from 191 countries have accessed the site since its debut in December 2007.

We hope the lectures and other course materials on this site will be a resource for critical thinking, creative imagination, and intellectual exploration. All lectures were recorded in the Yale College classroom and are available in video, audio, and text transcript format. Registration is not required and no course credit is available. Open Yale Courses content can be accessed through our partner platforms by visiting <http://www.youtube.com/yalecourses> and <http://itunes.yale.edu/>.

## **FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON RECEIVES APPROVAL TO OFFER DOCTOR OF PHARMACY DEGREE PROGRAM**

Fairleigh Dickinson University has announced that it has received approval from the New Jersey Presidents' Council of the Commission on Higher Education to enroll students in New Jersey's first pharmacy school affiliated with an independent university.

The school, to be housed within the Maxwell Becton College of Arts and Sciences at the College at Florham in Madison, NJ, will offer a doctor of pharmacy degree (PharmD) with four concentrations: pharmaceutical science, pharmacy administration, pharmacy education and pharmacy business. It will enroll its inaugural class in fall 2012, and will admit about 80 well-qualified students per year who have completed a rigorous prerequisite course load that will enable them to choose a concentrated area of study.

Students will be able to elect one of four programs resulting in a PharmD degree combined with a master's degree. The master's options are:

- Master of science degree in pharmaceutical chemistry (pharmaceutical science track),
- Master of arts in education (pharmacy education track),
- Master of public administration (pharmacy administration track),
- Master of business administration (pharmacy business track).

FDU is investing \$12 million to renovate and expand its science facilities at the College at Florham. The new pharmacy school has applied for accreditation from the American Council for Pharmacy Education.

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