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Robert L. Barchi, President

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Mr. Kenneth Swalagin  
University Senate  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
ASB III, Suite 110  
Cook/Douglass Campus

Dear Mr. Swalagin:

I write to acknowledge receipt of the recent Senate Report on Charge S-1308 on Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), Reconsidered, as presented to the University Senate by the Instruction, Curricula and Advising Committee at the December 6, 2013 University Senate meeting. The committee members have my thanks for their reexamination of Rutgers policies and procedures in this area.

The committee determined that the recommendations related to the oversight and development of MOOCs enumerated in the February 2013 Senate report adequately addressed these issues. I note that MOOCs are among the educational technology initiatives to be examined in a new University-wide Strategic Planning Committee on the Near- and Long-term Impact of Instructional Technology.

Sincerely,

Robert Barchi

c: Richard Novak, Vice President for Continuing Studies and Distance Education.