



Robert L. Barchi, President

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Ms. Mary Mickelsen  
University Senate  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey  
Liberty Plaza, Suite 1200  
College Avenue Campus

Dear Ms. Mickelsen:

I am writing in response to the University Senate's report and recommendations on Charge S-1509, Default 17-Year Academic Calendar. I thank the members of the Senate's Academic Standards, Regulations & Admissions Committee for their work on this issue. And I would like to thank you, directly, for your work in drafting the calendars to run from 2014 to 2031.

It is very helpful for the Rutgers community to have calendars stretching so far into the future so that appropriate planning can be completed as necessary, with the framework of the academic calendar already in place, and with the understanding that adjustments may be made in the future as needed. I commend the University Senate for this proactive accomplishment, and its dedication to this important issue.

Sincerely,

Robert Barchi

c: Nancy Cantor, Chancellor, Rutgers University–Newark  
Christopher Molloy, Interim Chancellor, Rutgers University–New Brunswick  
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