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NJIT ADMITS 14 OCC STUDENTS DURING “INSTANT DECISION DAY”

TOMS RIVER – The New Jersey Institute of Technology recently held the first-ever “**Instant Decision Day**” on the Ocean County College Main Campus, College Drive, Toms River, NJ. During this event, 14 OCC students were accepted for admission to NJIT. The Instant Decision Day was sponsored by the OCC Academic Advising Center and arranged by Laura Wills, OCC Coordinator of Transfer Services.

“This was a great day for NJIT and OCC,” said Anthony Jackson, NJIT associate Director of University Admissions. “I was very impressed with the quality of the OCC students I met with today. While reviewing their transcripts, I could see they were well-prepared to transfer to NJIT. They had outstanding academic records and six or seven students could qualify as NJIT honors candidates.”

The New Jersey Institute of Technology offers degree programs in engineering, business, architecture, science, and liberal arts at its Newark campus.

“OCC and NJIT have an excellent partnership, with many students successfully transferring to NJIT,” Wills explained. “With careful planning using the online transfer resource *NJ Transfer*, our students can enroll in OCC courses that will readily transfer to NJIT,” she added. “This process is a win-win for OCC and NJIT. OCC students are able to complete an associate’s degree and general education coursework toward a bachelor’s degree at a tremendous savings. NJIT benefits by receiving students who have a proven academic record and are ready for upper-division courses.”

Two Ocean County College students accepted at the Instant Decision Day were twins Frank and Richard Kianos, of Brick Township. Frank Kianos is working toward a computer science degree at OCC and plans to continue his studies in fall 2010 at NJIT. “I was very proud when I was told that I qualified for instant admission,” he commented. “The process was very easy.”

Richard Kianos, an NJ STARS student, was also pleased with the ease of the Instant Decision Day process. “I’m working on an Associates in engineering degree at OCC and plan to study electrical and computer engineering at NJIT,” he said. “OCC has been very convenient because I have been able to go to school and work while planning for transfer.”

For more information about OCC and NJIT, contact the **OCC Academic Advising Center** at 732-255-0300 or visit www.ocean.edu/advising.htm.