

**Roger A. Ramsammy**, Ph.D. became the seventh president of Hudson Valley Community College on July 1, 2018. President Ramsammy has more than 30 years of higher education experience, including senior academic and administrative positions at three of the largest multi-campus colleges in the United States. He is the former president of the West Campus of Miami Dade College and previously served as provost and chief academic officer at Northern Virginia Community College. Prior to that, at Palm Beach State College, he was professor of Microbiology and Anatomy and Physiology, chair of Biology, associate dean of STEM and dean of Academic Affairs.



President Ramsammy has earned numerous awards for leadership, effective and inventive teaching, online instruction and academic program development, including the Virginia Governor's Award for the most innovative STEM program; the Florida Association of Community Colleges and Palm Beach State College Professor of the Year awards; and the Adjunct Professor of the Year award at Broward College. He was the recipient of the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Foundation Outstanding Educator Award for his dedication to educational outreach for underserved populations and awarded an honorary doctorate of research by Isaac Newton University in Ciudad Quesada, Costa Rica. In addition, he was invited to participate in President Obama's STEM Education College Opportunity Initiative and led Northern Virginia Community College's contingent at White House meetings.

President Ramsammy is a member of New York's Reimagine Education Advisory Council and serves on the American Association of Community Colleges Commission on Structured Pathways, where he was previously a commissioner for Academic, Student and Community Development as well as Diversity, Inclusion and Equity. He also currently serves on the board of directors of the New York State Economic Development Council (NYSEDC); the Regional Economic Development Council; the Center for Economic Growth and its Advanced Manufacturing Workgroup; United Way of the Greater Capital Region and its Community Impact and Investment Committee; and as a member of the Albany International Airport's Regional Advisory Committee and the City of Albany's COVID Recovery Task Force.

President Ramsammy is a first-generation college student who recognizes the extraordinary potential of education to change both individual lives and communities. Prior to a post-doctoral fellowship at Georgetown University's Lombardi Cancer Center, he earned a Ph.D. in Molecular Biology and a master's degree in Genetics from Howard University. He holds a bachelor's degree in Biology from the University of the District of Columbia.

He and his wife, Annette, have three children: Khalid, Josie and Shayda.