



NEW PATHWAYS TO TEACHING in NEW JERSEY (NPTNJ) FACT SHEET

MINIMUM PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree – BA, BS, AB
- 2.75 GPA from highest degree earned
- **Certificate of Eligibility (CE) determined by the NJ Dept. of Education:**
 - Elementary K-5 CE: Minimum of 60 liberal arts and science credits
 - Middle School 5-8: must have a K-5 CE as well as a CE in elementary with subject matter specialization, 15 credits in a subject area
 - For a subject area CE: 30 credits in one field with 12 semester hours of 300-400 level courses

APPLICATION PROCESS and DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT TO NPTNJ AT HCCC

- Take the Praxis test in the area of licensure (go to www.ets.org) and submit a copy of the scores
- Complete the NPTNJ Program Application
- Supply 3 official transcripts from all colleges where the credits are counted toward the degree (this includes community colleges)
- Submit a copy of CE (one of the steps to receiving a CE is to take the Intro to Teaching course – NPTNJ offers this course)

STAGE I REQUIREMENTS

- Passing Praxis II score in subject area
- Supply copy of CE

STAGE II REQUIREMENTS

- Proof of employment with a school district – students **MUST** have a position as a teacher

SCHEDULING

- Stage I – 7-week sessions in January, April or June
- Stage II – September to June

COST

- Credit: \$8,855 = Stage I \$2,943 + Stage II \$5,887 + transcript fee \$25
- Noncredit: \$3,700 = Stage I \$1,300 + Stage II \$2,400
- Textbooks are approximately \$400 total for both stages
- Financial Aid, in the form of federal and state aid, is not available for Stage I, but career training/continuing education loans are available. Federal and state aid may be available for individuals taking Stage II for credit. Payment plans are also available.