

The New Jersey College Student and Parent Consumer Report
for
The College of New Jersey

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The *New Jersey College Student and Parent Consumer Information Act* (P.L. 2009, Chapter 197) was approved January 14, 2010 and effective March 16, 2010. The Act requires each New Jersey four-year public institution of higher education to place “comprehensive information on the cost of attendance, the graduation rates of admitted students, and the faculty of the institution,” on its website. The stated purpose of the Act is “to maximize the awareness of students and their families of the costs associated with enrollment in the institution, the institution’s success in ensuring the graduation of its students, and the composition of the teaching faculty that a student will encounter.”

Posted here are the data elements required for The College of New Jersey (TCNJ), as determined by the NJ Commission on Higher Education (NJCHE). Data for TCNJ and the other New Jersey four-year public institutions of higher education are available on the website for the NJ Commission on Higher Education: <http://nj.gov/highereducation/ConsumerInfo.htm>. The numbers in parenthesis above the data elements presented here correspond to the numbered elements in the Act. Note that the commission has temporarily tabled two of the required data elements pending further clarification from the bill’s sponsor. The required data will be added to TCNJ’s report once the requirements are clarified.

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**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Graduation Rates (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (1) thru (4))
Graduates after 4 Years**

		(1)			(2)					(3)	
Fall 2008 Cohort n=1295 Graduates after 4 Years		Total	Men	Women	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other*	Student Athletes	Non-Athletes
The College of New Jersey	(#)	939	356	583	607	35	61	23	213	NA	939
	(%)	73%	67%	76%	76%	38%	58%	82%	79%	NA	73%

*-Other includes American Indian or Alaskan Native, Pacific Islanders, 2 or more races,,non-resident aliens, race unreported or unknown

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Graduation Rates (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (1) thru (3))
Graduates after 6 Years**

		(1)			(2)					(3)	
Fall 2008 Cohort n=1295 Graduates after 6 Years		Total	Men	Women	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Other*	Student Athletes	Non-Athletes
The College of New Jersey	(#)	1,121	451	670	705	62	86	25	243	NA	1121
	(%)	87%	85%	88%	88%	67%	82%	89%	90%	NA	87%

*-Other includes American Indian or Alaskan Native, Pacific Islanders, 2 or more races,non-resident aliens, race unreported or unknown

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Transfer Rates (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (5), (6))**

Fall 2013 Full-Time First-time Freshmen	(5)			(6) Overview of Transfer Institutions			
	Fall 2013 FT First-time Freshmen	Transferred out in Fall 2014		In-State		Out-of-State	
	#	#	%	#		#	
The College of New Jersey	1404	67	5%	35	52%	32	48%

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Costs (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (7), (10), (11))**

(7) Total Cost for AY 2014 - 2015

The College of New Jersey	Resident	Commuter
Tuition & Fees	\$ 15,014	\$ 15,014
Room & Board	\$ 12,158	\$ 5,546
Books & Supplies	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200
Transportation	\$ 1,074	\$ 3,390
Other Expenses	\$ 1,818	\$ 1,178
TOTAL	\$ 31,264	\$ 26,328

NOTE: All Costs and projected costs are for Full-Time New Jersey Resident Students

Total Projected Cost for Fall 2015 Incoming Freshman

	(10) Graduates after 4 years		(11) Graduates after 6 years	
	Resident	Commuter	Resident	Commuter
			\$	\$
The College of New Jersey	\$ 131,429	\$ 118,410	203,878	192,512

NOTE: All Costs and projected costs are for Full-Time New Jersey Resident Students

* In AY2012-2013 TCNJ changed the way it calculated costs for Room & Board costs for commuters. The cost change between AY1112 and AY1213 is 19.5%, the cost change between AY1213 and AY1314 is 0.8%, and the cost change between AY1314 and AY1415 is 3.3%, which caused the average percentage change in cost of attendance to be 7.9%.

Methodology (as stipulated by NJCHE)

The total projected cost for Fall 2015 entering freshmen was computed by using the average percentage of cost of attendance change for the past four years (2011/12 to 2014/15) for New Jersey resident and commuter students, and applying it forward four or six years, as appropriate, from 2015/16. For TCNJ the average percentage change in cost of attendance from 2011/12 to 2014/15 was 3.3% for resident students, and 7.9% for those commuting.

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Financial Assistance (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (8))**

(8) Institutional Financial Assistance Programs		Available To	
		Athletes*	Non-Athletes
Senior Public Institution	Institutional Financial Aid programs	Yes/No	Yes/No
The College of New Jersey	In-State Merit Scholarship - a portion of this is need based.	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	Out-of-State Merit Scholarship	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	Chairman of the Board/Board of Trustees Award	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	Bonner Center Community Service Scholarship	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	TCNJ Promise Award	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	TCNJ Music Department Scholarship	N/A	Yes
The College of New Jersey	NJ Community College Transfer Student Award	N/A	Yes

* Athletes are only those students at NCAA Division 1 institutions who receive athletic aid.

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Financial Assistance (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (9))**

(9) Students who receive financial assistance

		Total # Students	# Receiving Asst.	% Receiving Asst.	Average Amount		
					Institutiona l Aid	Non- Institutiona l Aid+	Athletic Aid
The College of New Jersey	Athletes* (NCAA)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Non-Athletes	6743	4877	72.3	3428	7317	NA

* Athletes are only those students at NCAA Division 1 institutions who receive athletic aid.

+ Non-Institutional Aid includes private, state, and federal student aid other than athletic aid.

NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Financial Assistance (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (12) thru (14))

(12) Average Student Loan Indebtedness Graduating in 4 years	Resident Student when admitted	Commuting Student when admitted
The College of New Jersey	\$ 32,567	\$ 26,749

(13) Average Student Loan Indebtedness Graduating in 6 years	Resident Student when admitted	Commuting Student when admitted
The College of New Jersey	\$ 40,441	\$ 44,751

(14) Average Student Loan Indebtedness Withdrawing after 1 year	Resident Student when admitted	Commuting Student when admitted
The College of New Jersey	\$ 6,717	\$ 14,586

**NJ Student and Parent Consumer Information Act
Faculty (P.L. 2009 Chapter 197 2. a. (15) thru (16))**

(15) Types of Faculty		Course Sections Taught by...				
		Total Faculty	Full-time Tenured/ Tenure Track Professors	Full-time Non-Tenure Track Professors	Part-time Faculty	Other (TA's, staff, etc)
The College of New Jersey	#	820	330	20	464	6
	%	100%	40%	2%	57%	1%

(16) Course Sections Taught by each type of faculty		Course Sections Taught by...				
		Total Faculty	Full-time Tenured/ Tenure Track Professors	Full-time Non-Tenure Track Professors	Part-time Faculty	Other (TA's, staff, etc)
The College of New Jersey	#	2805	1771	91	780	163
	%	100%	63%	3%	28%	6%