

Undergraduate Degree Programs at The College of New Jersey

Degree Requirements: Degree programs are composed of three parts: liberal learning (general education) requirements, major requirements, and electives. No student may graduate with fewer than 32 course units (=128 semester hours).

Course Unit Definition: The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) is on a course unit system. The typical undergraduate degree program at the College is 32 course units (with the exception of Engineering and Accountancy). A recommended academic load for the majority of students during the traditional Fall and Spring semester would be four course units over eight semesters. A course unit represents the equivalent of four credit hours.

School of the Arts and Communication

Bachelor of Arts

Art Education	32 course units
Art History	32 course units
Communication Studies	32 course units
Interactive Multimedia	32 course units
Journalism and Professional Writing	32 course units
Music	32 course units

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Visual Arts	32 course units
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Bachelor of Music

Music (Options in Music Education and Music Performance)	32 course units
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School of Business

Bachelor of Arts

Economics	32 course units
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Bachelor of Science

Accountancy*	32 ½ units, plus more to prepare for the CPA
Business Administration	32 course units
Economics	32 course units

* For those Accounting students who want to fulfill the CPA requirement of 150 credits to sit for the licensure exam, the department often approves a course overload, or encourages a few Summer/Winter courses, such that students can fit in 150 credits in 4 years, and are ready to prep for the exam upon graduation.

School of Education

Bachelor of Science

Early Childhood Education	32 course units
Elementary Education	32 course units

Bachelor of Science/Master of Arts in Teaching (five year program)

Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing/Elementary Education	32 units for the undergraduate portion
Special Education/Elementary Education	32 units for the undergraduate portion
Urban Education	32 units for the undergraduate portion

The Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, Education of the Handicapped, and Education of the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing sequences and all secondary education programs fall into the category of “dual majors,” meaning that another program must be attached for it to be viable. The liberal arts or science content discipline is considered the first major for all secondary sequences. The education major is considered the first major for Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, Education of the Handicapped, and Education of the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing sequences. Note: There is no state- or TCNJ-approved secondary major; a dual major with secondary education must be understood as classifying secondary education as an ‘attached’ program, and not as a stand-alone approved major.

School of Engineering

Bachelor of Science

ISTEM Education	32 course units
Technology Education	32 course units

Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering (BSBME)	39 course units
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering (BSCE)	39 course units
Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering (BSCoE)	39 course units
Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering (BSEE)	39 course units
Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science (BSES)	39 course units
Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (BSME)	39 course units

School of the Humanities and Social Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

African American Studies	32 course units
Criminology	32 course units
English	32 course units
History	32 course units
International Studies	32 course units
Philosophy	32 course units
Political Science	32 course units
Psychology	32 course units
Sociology	32 course units
Spanish	32 course units
Women’s and Gender Studies	32 course units

School of Nursing and Exercise Science

Bachelor of Science

Public Health	32 course units
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Bachelor of Science

Health and Exercise Science	32 course units
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Nursing

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)	32 course units
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School of Science

Bachelor of Science

Mathematics (including Statistics)	32 course units
Biology	32 course units
Chemistry	32 course units
Computer Science	32 course units
Physics	32 course units

Interdisciplinary/College-Wide

Bachelor of Arts

Self-Designed Major	32 course units
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