

Change of Major Information

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Undergraduate students in good academic standing who wish to change majors should review the deadlines on the academic calendar and contact the applicable departments for information on requirements. See also the [Change of Major](#) policy and [Undergraduate Change of Major Form](#). The following list of minimum requirements and general capacity information, arranged by School, is updated annually.

School of The Arts and Communication

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Art Education	<p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, this program may maintain change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer to this major are advised to contact the department for requirements in addition to the following internal program requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade of C or higher in one of the foundation courses (AAV 102 Visual Thinking; AAV 111 Drawing; AAV 112 2D; AAV 113 3D; or AAV 140 4D)2. Successful portfolio review (optional)	Open to all who meet criteria
Art History and Visual Culture	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Art History must meet the following requirement:</p> <p>Grade of C or higher in any two AAH or AAV courses</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
Communication Studies	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Communication Studies must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Grade of "C+" or higher in any one of the following courses: COM 103/Introduction to Communication Theory, COM 117/Introduction to Film Studies, COM 118/Introduction to Television Studies, COM 172/Introduction to Media Communication, COM 242/Interpersonal Communication, COM 265/Emerging Communication Technologies, or COM 292/Health Communication.2. Completed Department Application	Open to all who meet criteria

<p>Design and Creative Technology:</p> <p>Interactive Multimedia (major)</p> <p>For specialization in graphic design, See Visual Arts</p>	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to the Interactive Multimedia major must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of B or higher in any one of the 100-level foundation courses (IMM 110, IMM 120, IMM 130, or IMM 180) 2. Interview with the Design and Creative Technology Department Chair or designee (see the department for interview evaluation criteria). 	<p>Entrance to the major is competitive, pending successful completion of both internal transfer requirements.</p>
<p>Journalism and Professional Writing</p>	<p>Students in good academic standing, newly matriculated and first-term students without a GPA who wish to transfer into Journalism and Professional Writing from another program within the College, or to add JPW as a second major, are invited to submit a Change of Major form by the deadlines stated on the academic calendar. If JPW does not have capacity for all applicants, the applications will be considered competitively.</p>	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p>
<p>Music</p>	<p>Applicants for internal transfer must meet the following requirement:</p> <p>Satisfactory completion of an audition process, including a performance audition, aural skills exam, and degree program interview</p>	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p>
<p>Visual Arts (Fine Art, Graphic Design, or Photo/Video)</p>	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Visual Arts must meet the following requirement:</p> <p>Successful portfolio review</p>	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p>

School of Business

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Accounting	Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade in ACC 201 2. GPA 	Competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated.
Economics	Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum grade of C in ECO 101/Principles of Microeconomics 2. Minimum grade of C in ECO 102/Principles of Macroeconomics 	Open to all who meet criteria
Finance	Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum grade of B in FIN 201 2. Professional resume 	Competitive. This major has limited capacity.
Interdisciplinary Business	Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based upon the following performance standards: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum grade of C+ in BUS 200 2. Preliminary plan approved by faculty advisor in the program 	Open to all who meet criteria
Management	Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based upon: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum grade of C in MGT 201 2. Essay discussing interest in the program 	Moderately competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated.

Marketing	<p>Transfer into the program from another program within the College is based upon:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minimum grade of C+ in MKT 201 2. Minimum grade of C in MAT 125, MAT 127, STA 115, or STA 215. 	Moderately competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated.
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School of Education

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Elementary and Early Childhood Education Note: This department includes the Urban Education 5 year program	Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the Department of Elementary & Early Childhood Education (EECE) maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer are advised to contact EECE for requirements in addition to the following internal program requirements.	Open to all who meet criteria
Secondary Education	Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the Department of Educational Administration and Secondary Education maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants are advised to contact EASE for information about requirements.	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p> <p>Students must also be accepted or already approved in one of the following departments for which teaching credentials are given: Biology, Chemistry, Economics, English, History, Mathematics or Physics</p>

Special Education (5 year program)	<p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the Department of Special Education, Language, and Literacy (SELL) maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer to this major are advised to contact SELL for information about requirements in addition to the following internal program requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of B- or higher in FYS 2. Grade of B- or higher in SPE 103 <p>Note: exemption from a course is considered equivalent to satisfactory completion of the course.</p> <p>Note: students in Elementary, Early Childhood, Urban, Special, and Deaf/Hard of Hearing Education are dual majors. Students must apply separately for the content major and meet the program's requirements.</p>	Moderately competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated.
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Secondary Special Education (5 Year program)	<p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, this cross-departmental program maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants must meet the entry requirements for their content major (see English, History, Mathematics, and Biology) as well as the requirements for the Secondary Special Education program.</p> <p>Applicants for internal transfer should contact the program coordinator for an initial meeting.</p> <p>Note: Secondary Special Education Majors are dual majors whose program integrates three departments: the content major, Secondary Education, and Special Education. Applicants who are transferring from one content major to another, must first contact the content major department (English, History, Mathematics or Biology).</p> <p>Once an applicant is accepted by both the content area department and the Special Education department, the Change of Major form must be signed by the chairs of the department you are leaving, the content department you are entering, and the Special Education Department.</p>	Limited Capacity
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Education of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing (5 year program)	<p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the Department of Special Education, Language & Literacy (SELL) maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer to this major are advised to contact SELL for information about requirements in addition to the following internal program requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade of B or higher in FYS (First Year Seminar) <p>Note: exemption from a course is considered equivalent to satisfactory completion of the course.</p> <p>Note: Students in Elementary, Early Childhood, Urban, Special, and Deaf/Hard of Hearing Education are dual majors. Students must apply separately for the content major and meet the program's requirements.</p>	Moderately Competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated.
Early Childhood/ Special Education (5 year program)	<p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, this cross-departmental program maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer to this major are advised to contact the program coordinators for information about requirements in addition to the following internal program requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ECE 102 (B-) OR BIO 104 (C-) OR MAT 105 (C-) 2. SPE 103 (B-) <p>Note: exemption from a course is considered equivalent to satisfactory completion of the course.</p> <p>Note: students in Elementary, Early Childhood, Urban, Special, and Deaf/Hard of Hearing Education are dual majors. Students must apply separately for the content major and meet the program's requirements.</p>	Limited capacity

Speech Pathology and Audiology	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Speech Pathology must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of B or higher in FYS 1XX (First Year Seminar) 2. Grade of B or higher in SLP 102 or SLP 108 <p>Note: exemption from a course is considered equivalent to satisfactory completion of the course.</p>	Highly competitive, with limited capacity
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School of Engineering

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Biomedical Engineering	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Highly limited capacity
Civil Engineering	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Highly limited capacity
Computer Engineering	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Highly limited capacity
Electrical Engineering	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Highly limited capacity
Mechanical Engineering	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Highly limited capacity

Engineering Science	Entrance into engineering programs from another program within the College is based upon: 1. PHY 201 (minimum grade of C) 2. MAT 127 (minimum grade of C)	Limited capacity
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<p>ISTEM content area for School of Education majors</p>	<p>Entrance into this program from another program within the College is based upon meeting or exceeding the following performance standards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MAT 105 or MAT 106 (minimum grade of C) 2. Overall cumulative GPA ≥ 3.00 <p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the department maintains change-of-major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer are advised to contact the department for more information.</p>	<p>Moderately competitive. Most but not all applicants will be accommodated. Based on program capacity constraints.</p>
<p>Technology and Engineering Education</p>	<p>Entrance into this program from another program within the College is based upon meeting or exceeding the following performance standards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TED 280 (minimum grade of C+) 2. Overall cumulative GPA ≥ 2.75 <p>Due to New Jersey Department of Education regulations for teacher certification, the department maintains change of major requirements beyond the minimums set forth by The College of New Jersey. Applicants for internal transfer are advised to contact the department for more information.</p>	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p>

School of Humanities and Social Sciences

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
African American Studies	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to African American Studies must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C or higher in AAS 179 2. Grade of C or higher in AAS 180 	Open to all who meet criteria
Anthropology	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Anthropology must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C or higher in ANT 110 or ANT 111 or ANT 112 or ANT 213; 2. Grade of C or higher in STA 215 or STA 115 or PHL 120 <p>The program also accepts pre-majors, who will convert to full major status upon completion of the above requirements.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
Criminology	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Criminology must meet the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful completion of CRI 100 	Open to all who meet criteria
English	<p>There are no program-specific requirements for internal transfer to English. Applicants for internal transfer should be in good standing at TCNJ and should submit the change of major forms by the posted deadlines.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
Environmental Studies	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Environmental Studies must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C or higher in ENV 200; 2. Grade of B or higher in STA 115 or Grade of C or higher in STAT 215 or MAT 127 <p>The program also accepts pre-majors, who will convert to full majors upon completion of the above requirements.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
History	<p>There are no program-specific requirements for internal transfer to History. Applicants for internal transfer should be in good standing at TCNJ and should submit the change of major forms by the posted deadlines.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria

International Studies	Applicants for internal transfer to this program must complete an interview with the Director of the International Studies program to discuss language and study abroad requirements.	Open to all who meet criteria
Philosophy	There are no program-specific requirements for internal transfer to Philosophy. Applicants for internal transfer should be in good standing at TCNJ and should submit the change of major forms by the posted deadlines.	Open to all who meet criteria

Political Science	Applicants for internal transfer to Political Science must meet the following requirements: Grade of C or higher in POL 110/American Government or POL 130/International Relations or POL 150/Comparative Politics	Open to all who meet criteria
Psychology	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completion of application process, including essay (see department website for details) 2. PSY 101 (C- or above) <p>Applicants for full major status must have credit for PSY 101 and must write an essay, while applicants for pre-major status must only write the essay. Pre-majors will convert to standard/full major status upon completion of PSY 101 with a C- grade or better.</p>	Limited capacity. Approximately 70% of internal transfer applicants are typically admitted to this program. If demand exceeds capacity, preference will be given to applicants with demonstrated good performance in Psychology courses.
Sociology	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Sociology must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C or higher in SOC 101 2. Grade of C or higher in STA 115 or STA 215 <p>The program also accepts internal transfers as pre-majors, who will convert to full major status upon completion of SOC 101 (C) and STA 215 or STA 115 (C).</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
Spanish	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Spanish must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of B- or higher in SPA 211 2. Grade of B- or higher in SPA 215 <p>Note: Because students may only be pre-majors for one semester, SPA 211 (B- or above) must be completed before applying for internal transfer.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies	<p>There are no program-specific requirements for internal transfer to Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies.</p> <p>Applicants for internal transfer should be in good standing at TCNJ, and should submit the change of major forms by the posted deadlines.</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
World Languages and Linguistics	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to World Languages and Linguistics must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A minimum grade of C+ in <u>one</u> of the following courses: ANT 213 or LNG 201 or WLC 215 2. A minimum grade of B- in the student's first 200 level (or higher) language course. 	Open to all who meet criteria

School of Nursing, Health, and Exercise Science

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Kinesiology and Health Sciences	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application process 2. 2.75 GPA 	<p>Limited Capacity: The department attempts to admit applicants who meet or exceed requirements.</p> <p>When demand exceeds capacity, preference is given to applicants who demonstrated a strong performance in Science and Math courses.</p>
Nursing	<p>Consideration for transfer into the program is based upon:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NUR 110, Unitary Man & Environment (minimum grade of B) or PSY 101 (minimum grade of B). Completion of NUR 110 is strongly recommended (along with all science courses) for applicants seeking to enter the program with sophomore status. 2. To be eligible for consideration, applicants must have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, completed at least one science course at TCNJ, and earned an average GPA of 3.0 or better in all science courses at the time of application, pending sufficient enrollment capacity. 	<p>The department projects no capacity for the academic year. Contact Assistant Dean Scarpati at scarpati@tcnj.edu for updates and guidance.</p>
Public Health	<p>Students in good standing seeking to transfer internally may apply to enter the Public Health major if they meet eligibility standards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. STA 115 with a minimum B- grade or STA 215 with a minimum C+ grade 2. One of the following major courses with a minimum grade of B- or higher: PBH 240 Introduction to Epidemiology (preferred); PBH 220 Wellness Promotion Across the Lifespan; PBH 375 Population Approaches to World Health; PBH 376 Health Systems, Administration and Policy; PBH 379 Environmental and Occupational Health; PBH 350 Health Education <p>Students in good standing may apply as pre-majors prior to taking the above classes.</p>	<p>The department generally has capacity for all applicants who meet or exceed the requirements.</p>

School of Science

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Biology	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Biology must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C- or higher in BIO 201 2. Grade of C- or higher in CHE 201 	<p>This major often has limited capacity, and if the number of applications is high, simply meeting the minimum requirements may not result in admission. In such cases, preference will be given to applicants based on math and science GPA and the number of biology, other science, and math courses completed.</p>
Chemistry	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Chemistry (any degree track), must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C- or higher in CHE 201 2. Grade of C or higher in MAT 127 	<p>Admission to the Chemistry major is competitive, with preference given to Science students. If there are more qualified applicants than allowed by available capacity, internal transfer candidates will be evaluated using the following criteria: 1) GPA in Chemistry courses and correlate courses for the major (Physics and Mathematics); 2) Number of Chemistry courses or correlate courses completed, and 3) overall GPA.</p>
Computer Science	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Computer Science must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C or higher in CSC 220 (CS I: Computational Problem Solving) 2. Grade of C or higher in MAT 127 (Calculus A) <p>A student who has already taken CSC 250 and wishes to use this to meet the CSC 220 and CSC 230 requirement must successfully complete an entrance test in C++. If the substitution is approved, the student must take an additional CS option course to meet the Computer Science major requirements. (These are typically students who have taken CSC 250 as non-majors and then transfer into the CS major.)</p>	<p>The Computer Science major has limited capacity, and admission to the major is competitive. Seats will be allocated to eligible applicants based on the following criteria: GPA in Computer Science courses and correlate courses (Mathematics and science); number of Computer Science and correlate courses completed; and overall GPA.</p>
Math & Statistics	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Mathematics must meet the following requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grade of C- or higher in MAT 127 (Calculus A) 2. Grade of C- or higher in MAT 200 (Proof Writing) 	<p>Open to all who meet criteria</p>

Physics	<p>Applicants for internal transfer to Physics must meet the following requirements:</p> <p>Grade of C or higher in PHY 201 or PHY 203</p>	Open to all who meet criteria
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Center for Student Success

Department or Program	Requirements	Capacity Information
Undeclared-General	The Undeclared-General major is only open to incoming first year students; after students enter TCNJ they cannot internally transfer into the Undeclared-General major.	N/A—students may not use the change of major process to enter this program