

Eligible Training Provider List Review and Updates

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Legal basis

- Section 122 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and 20 CFR 680 require and define eligible providers of training programs who may receive funds through Title I, subtitle B adult, dislocated worker, and out-of-school youth (OSY) aged 16-24 programs.
- Under N.J.S.A. 34:15C-10.1, any provider receiving state or federal job training funds must be on the Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL).

How providers qualify

- An organization must be governed or approved by a recognized state or federal oversight body. Recognized oversight bodies include:
 - Office of the Secretary of Higher Education
 - NJ Department of Education
 - Division of Consumer Affairs Board of Cosmetology & Hairstyling
 - NJ Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC)
 - NJ Real Estate Commission
 - Federal Aviation Administration
 - U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship
 - Other designated state or federal agencies that govern institution-wide training operations.
- If no oversight body applies, providers must obtain Private Career School (PCS) certification from NJDOL and NJDOE. All private career schools are automatically admitted to the ETPL.

ETPL requirements

- Maintain valid governing agency *institutional* approval from a state or federal oversight body
- Submit quarterly student-level reports
- Renew application every two years
- Meet additional approval requirements for specific programs that are overseen by other agencies or boards as needed
- Eligible training providers may be removed from the list for failure to meet these requirements or for poor outcomes

Additional agency approvals

- Even when your institution is a certified PCS, you may still require program approval from relevant boards or agencies for specific fields, such as:
 - ✓ The Board of Nursing
 - ✓ The Department of Health
 - ✓ Department of Environmental Protection
 - ✓ Other licensing boards with authority over specific training content
- These approvals are separate from institutional PCS status but still mandatory to run approved programs for those fields.

Individual Training Account (ITA) eligibility

- Training programs specify the SOC/O*NET Code and CIP Code that aligns with each of their programs in IGX
- NJDOL determines if that SOC/O*NET is on the State's in-demand occupation list
- If not, a program can become eligible for ITAs with a local or regional waiver
 - Local waivers must be submitted by a Workforce Development Board
 - Regional waivers must be submitted by the regional WDB lead(s)
 - Employer letters
 - Local/regional labor market information

Relevant Links

The State List:

<https://www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/tools-support/demand-occupations/>

Local and Regional Waivers and instructions how to apply:

<https://www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/tools-support/demand-occupations/waivers.shtml>

Training Explorer

<https://mycareer.nj.gov/in-demand-occupations> <https://mycareer.nj.gov/training>

New LMI-based local and regional waiver option

- NJDOL now has county level occupational employment and projections
- Email sent to all Workforce Development Boards and ES/One-Stop Managers with list of new occupations eligible for local or regional waivers under this option
- WDB directors and regional leads simply need to send a request to lesley.hirsch@dol.nj.gov and jason.timian@dol.nj.gov
 - Cite the local labor market information that NJDOL generated
 - Request specific SOC codes listed in your local area or region be made eligible.

NORTH				
SOC	Occupation	2024 Employment	Projected Growth % (2022-2032)	Minimum Ed Requirement for Entry
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	31,140	2,630	Bachelor's degree
11-3012	Administrative Services Managers	4,730	480	Bachelor's degree
11-3051	Industrial Production Managers	3,280	250	Bachelor's degree
13-1041	Compliance Officers	6,340	410	Bachelor's degree
15-1299	Computer Occupations, All Other	6,260	500	Bachelor's degree
25-2012	Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education	3,010	320	Bachelor's degree
25-2021	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	23,180	1590	Bachelor's degree
25-2022	Middle School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	13,510	1070	Bachelor's degree
25-2031	Secondary School Teachers, Except Special and Career/Technical Education	18,040	1140	Bachelor's degree
25-2058	Special Education Teachers, Secondary School	3,790	250	Bachelor's degree
27-1011	Art Directors	930	260	Bachelor's degree
27-3043	Writers and Authors	750	200	Bachelor's degree
31-1131	Nursing Assistants	13,920	2,480	Postsecondary nondegree award
41-3021	Insurance Sales Agents	4,690	640	High school diploma or equivalent
43-4081	Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	1,110	220	High school diploma or equivalent
47-2031	Carpenters	6,000	860	High school diploma or equivalent
47-2141	Painters, Construction and Maintenance	1,780	310	No formal educational credential
53-3051	Bus Drivers, School	4,090	780	High school diploma or equivalent
53-7061	Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment	6,050	800	No formal educational credential

Regional waiver leads

NJDOL will only accept regional waiver requests from these people. Please coordinate your requests with them.

REGION	LOCAL AREAS		REGIONAL LEAD	EMAIL
North	Bergen Essex Hudson Passaic	Greater Raritan Northwest Passaic City of Newark	Paul Grzella	grzella@somersetcountynj.gov
Central	Mercer Middlesex	Monmouth Ocean	Christian Estevez	cestevez@mercercounty.org
South	Atlantic Burlington Camden Cumberland-Salem-Cape May Gloucester		Christy DiLeonardo	cdileonardo@ccoel.org

COEI Website Resources and Next Steps

- The Center for Occupational Employment Information (COEI) website contains information on how to get started on becoming an ETPL or a private career school.
- Applications must be submitted on IGX, the same platform you would use as a grantee.
- Instructions for how to register, a training manual, and FAQs on are also on the website.
- Go to: <https://www.nj.gov/labor/labormarketinformation/contact-us/COEI.shtml>
- Have further questions? Write to: trainingevaluationunit@dol.nj.gov



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Home > Training Explorer > Search > Welding Technology

Welding Technology

Universal Technical Institute Northeast, LLC



In-Demand in New Jersey

This training may be eligible for funding from your [One-Stop Career Center](#).

Consumer report card



Completion rate

25%



Employment Rate

86% at 6 months
86% at 12 months



Earnings After Training

\$30,218 at 6 months
\$41,061 at 12 months



Top industries for completers

- New Car Dealers
- Truck, Utility Trailer, and RV (Recreational Vehicle) Rental and Leasing
- Professional Employer Organizations

Comparison Shopping

	Welding I & II Burlington County Institute of Technology 🔥 In Demand	Welding Camden County College 🔥 In Demand	275 Combination Welding HoHoKus School of Trade and Technical Sciences 🔥 In Demand	Collapse Clear all
Cost	\$6,138	\$6,200	\$6,230	
Employment Rate %	100.0% Employed	76.0% Employed	100.0% Employed	
Completion Rate %	100.0% Completed	100.0% Completed	100.0% Completed	
Average Salary	\$69,393	\$16,032	\$23,176	
Time to Complete	6-12 months	6-12 months	3-5 months	
	See details	See details	See details	

Your questions

- How is NJDOL monitoring tuition increases?
- How are online programs reviewed/monitored?
- How long does it take for a provider to get onto the ETPL?
- How long does it take to process local and regional waivers?



Thank you!

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