GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR PROGRAM OFFERINGS AT THE VARIOUS NJIT CAMPUSES

1. NJIT offers degree programs and credit-bearing certificates in three “campuses”: The Newark main campus; the Jersey City campus; and the Virtual campus. In addition, NJIT offers some courses at New Jersey high schools as well as at international locations via special agreements.

2. The Newark main campus serves both domestic and international students and has a price structure which differentiates between in-state and out-of-state (including international) students.

3. The Jersey City campus serves working professionals as well as professionals seeking a career change (sometimes being between jobs). All students of the Jersey City Campus, pursing degree programs and credit-bearing certificates, pay the same tuition rate (which is different from the rates charged at the Newark main campus). The Jersey City campus does not serve international (F-1) students as it is not a location approved by the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of State.

4. The NJIT Virtual campus offers online programs and online credit-bearing certificates to both domestic and international students, provided that international students attend from outside the United States (and thus, NJIT does not provide them an I-20). All students of the NJIT Virtual campus are eligible for a tuition rate known as e-Tuition), which is different from the rates applicable to Newark main campus and Jersey City campus students. Students of the Virtual campus (normally) are not required to come to the Newark main campus and all their progress (including exams) is conducted online.

5. When students apply to NJIT they have to indicate the program and campus to which they seek admission. Admission is given to a specific program and campus. Taking courses at a campus other than the one to which a student has been admitted to is not allowed unless (a) the student officially applies for change of campus and/or (b) the student with special permission from the home department (and for reasons such as faster program completion, interest in a course not offered online) is willing to pay a higher tuition in a given semester. In these cases, the highest tuition rate applicable to a course (or courses) is applicable to all courses the student is registered for in that semester. Students in MS/MA and certificate programs are allowed to change campus once during the period of completion of their first MS/MA degree or certificate.

6. Not all NJIT degree programs, credit bearing certificates, and/or courses are offered in all NJIT campuses.
7. Students accepted to a program offered from the Newark main campus may take fully online courses as long as the courses are not restricted to Virtual campus enrollments. e-Tuition is not applicable to Newark main campus students even if, in a semester or more, they choose to take all their courses online. International students can take as many online courses as the federal policies allow for.

8. Cross-listing of courses offered at different campuses is not allowed. Similarly, course sections from different campuses cannot be combined in Canvas.

9. Programs and credit-bearing certificates offered at the Virtual campus require the existence of all courses in a format/state designated as meeting the TLT-developed, Faculty Senate-approved, and Provost-endorsed Quality Assurance in eLearning rubric. A carrousel of the course offerings must be available to the students at the time of their admission (or first registration) in the program/credit bearing certificate.

10. Initiation of a program/credit bearing certificate offering in the NJIT Virtual campus requires the development of a business plan that needs the endorsement of the Associate Provost for Online Programs and subsequent approval of the Provost and the Budget Office.

11. All NJIT degree programs regardless of modality provide the same level of rigor, quality and instructional content.

12. Each degree program and credit bearing certificate undergoes periodic assessment as per the University Assessment Plan. While the assessment of student and program outcomes should be the same regardless of the campus where the program/credit bearing certificate is offered, other aspects of assessment (including enrollment, financial viability, etc.) are campus-specific.

13. All courses offered on the NJIT Virtual campus must portray the (to be developed) NJIT brand regardless of program or credit bearing certificate.

14. The available technology infrastructure used to facilitate and augment learning must be the same on all NJIT campuses.

15. All student issues, regardless of campus, (including adjudication of academic integrity violations) are handled by the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students’ office is on the Newark main campus but their services are also available online.
16. Academic policies (academic honors, academic integrity, academic standing, course repetition, removal of Incomplete grades, grade dispute, etc.), as well as code of student conduct are the same across all NJIT campuses.

17. Student enrollment on each campus is determined by the number of registered students in a given semester or academic year according to their campus code (determined at the point of admission or through official campus change).

18. Instructors of courses offered at various campuses are assigned by the chair/director of the unit offering the course. There is no special faculty per campus.

19. When possible, services offered out of the Newark main campus will be made available online (e.g. Library, Career Development Services, tutoring). Students from other campuses are welcome to come to the Newark main campus to benefit from these services.