



Learn more about one of the most generous need-based financial aid programs in the country... right here in New Jersey!

TAG awards are for full-time undergraduate students enrolled in an approved degree or certificate program at an eligible New Jersey institution of higher education. Part-time TAG is also available to students taking 6-11 credits at a New Jersey county college.

The amount of any TAG award will vary depending on factors such as individual financial need and type of institution where the student is enrolled. TAG is only applied toward the cost of tuition.

Eligibility requirements include the following. Students must:

- Have a high school diploma or recognized equivalent;
- Demonstrate financial need;
- Be citizens, eligible non-citizens, or eligible to file the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application;
- Be a resident of New Jersey for at least 12 consecutive months immediately prior to enrollment;
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress; and
- Be enrolled in an approved program at an approved institution.

DID YOU KNOW?

TAG supports nearly one-third of all New Jersey residents enrolled full-time in an undergraduate program in our state.

How Do I Apply?

To be considered for TAG, all you need to do is complete a financial aid application – either the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or the NJ Alternative Financial Aid Application (if you qualify as an NJ Dreamer). Make sure to complete and submit your application before the applicable State deadline.

Keep in mind, you will need to complete your financial aid application each academic year to renew your award, and must continue to meet all eligibility requirements.

For information on how to access your application and what New Jersey’s financial aid deadlines are, visit hesaa.org/Pages/financialaidhub.aspx.



to learn more about TAG, including the full list of eligibility requirements and approved institutions of higher education

Maximum TAG award amounts change from year to year. For an idea of the highest amount of TAG available at each type of institution, see the maximum TAG awards for Academic Year 2025-2026. →

	Maximum TAG awards for AY 2025-2026	Maximum Part-Time TAG awards for AY 2025-2026
County Colleges	\$3,098	-
State Colleges & Universities	\$9,496	-
Public Research Universities	\$10,964	-
Independent College & Universities	\$14,404	-
1/2 Time Semester (6-8 credits)	-	\$774
3/4 Time Semester (9-11 credits)	-	\$1,161

Approved degree programs only

