

# GENERAL INFORMATION



## Statement of Mission and Objectives

The mission of New England Institute of Technology (NEIT) is to provide specialized undergraduate and graduate degree and certificate programs which prepare students for professional and technical careers. Through the combination of professional and technical courses and an integrated liberal arts core, academic programs emphasize the relevance of continuous learning to personal and professional growth. Upon successful completion, graduates are prepared to enter the workforce or to continue their education. As an extension of the primary mission, NEIT offers the opportunity to pursue professional and technological studies to satisfy personal interests.

As an institution primarily devoted to teaching, NEIT provides opportunities for students from diverse educational backgrounds and with varying levels of ability to study in a variety of technological fields.

NEIT's objectives are to:

1. offer technology programs that meet the career-oriented needs of students and to assist each student in identifying and developing a career path of interest.
2. stress the relationship between theoretical knowledge and practical application.
3. provide a laboratory approach, which prepares students for business and industry.
4. enable students to develop skills in writing, oral communication, and team building.
5. use innovative learning approaches to help each student realize his or her academic potential.
6. help students to develop skills in problem solving and in thinking logically, flexibly, and critically.
7. foster the student's potential to contribute to and participate in a rapidly changing technological society.
8. provide a campus climate where our diverse student population is encouraged to respect the value of all people and to deal with social issues and responsibilities as members of our campus community and society.
9. encourage students to develop pride in the quality of their work.
10. create an appreciation for both the importance and joy of learning.
11. be environmentally responsible in the development and maintenance of its campus and to include environmentally responsible technologies in its curriculum.

## Educational Philosophy

New England Institute of Technology is a private, non-profit, technical university whose mission is to provide undergraduate and graduate degree programs for students from diverse educational backgrounds and with differing levels of ability. The university's mission evolved from the principle that all persons, regardless of age, gender, disability, socioeconomic circumstances, religious, racial or ethnic background, should have access to career opportunities through a quality technical education. To achieve this purpose, NEIT is first and foremost an institution committed to teaching.

At NEIT, we believe and affirm that every student can learn; we recognize that different students may learn in different ways with differing levels of ability; and we recognize the importance of creating a learning environment in each classroom and laboratory that both challenges and supports each of our students.

## Definition of an Educated Person

The New England Institute of Technology philosophy of education described in its Educational Philosophy is embraced firmly by faculty and staff. This philosophy is guided and sustained by the NEIT Statement of Mission and Objectives. It is intrinsic to the culture of the university and it is manifest in how and what the faculty teach and in what they expect of NEIT graduates as educated persons.

NEIT's graduates achieve technical competence and develop the values and standards of professional and ethical behavior that can serve them well in both the workplace and in our democratic society. These values include responsible citizenship, an appreciation of and respect for cultural diversity, and an informed worldview.

NEIT anticipates that its graduates know how to observe and to read carefully, to analyze and evaluate facts and ideas, to reach valid and well-supported conclusions, and to communicate clearly. The university expects also that its graduates appreciate other fields of knowledge – science, the arts and humanities, and the social sciences – and that they are able to integrate what they have learned from these subjects within their technical and professional fields.

The faculty strive to instill in their students the belief that knowledge coupled with experience leads to wisdom, and that education does not end with a degree, but continues throughout one's lifetime. In the process, NEIT graduates may discover the joy to be found in learning, the hallmark of an educated person.

## Charter

New England Institute of Technology operates under a charter from the State of Rhode Island and is empowered by the State to confer associate and baccalaureate degrees and such other degrees as are usually conferred by colleges and universities.

## Accreditation

New England Institute of Technology is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education.

Accreditation of an institution of higher education by the Commission indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality periodically applied through a peer review process. An accredited college or university is one which has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that

it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity is also addressed through accreditation.

Accreditation by the Commission is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered, or the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.

Inquiries regarding the accreditation status by the Commission should be directed to the administrative staff of the institution. Individuals may also contact:



New England Commission of Higher Education

301 Edgewater Place, Suite 210

Wakefield, MA 01880

(781) 425-7785

E-Mail: [info@neche.org](mailto:info@neche.org)

NECHE is listed by the U.S. Department of Education as a nationally recognized accrediting agency under the provisions of Chapter 33, Title 38, U.S. Code, and subsequent legislation.

The programs listed below have specialized professional accreditations/certifications. Please check the program descriptions in the Curriculum section for details.

- Automotive Collision Repair Technology, A.S.
- Automotive Technology, A.S.
- Electrical Engineering Technology, B.S.
- Marine Technology, A.S.
- Mechanical Engineering Technology, B.S.
- Medical Laboratory Technician, A.S.
- Nursing, A.S.
- Nursing, M.S.
- Occupational Therapy Assistant, A.S.
- Occupational Therapy, M.S.
- Paramedic Technology, A.S.
- Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S.
- Practical Nursing, Certificate
- Public Health, M.P.H.
- Respiratory Care, A.S.
- RN to BSN, B.S.
- Speech Language Pathology, M.S.
- Surgical Technology, A.S.
- Veterinary Technology, A.S. & B.S.

Inquiries regarding the status of NEIT's accreditation by these organizations should be directed to the Office of Teaching and Learning.

Complaints concerning NEIT related to fraud or advertising, approval to operate, quality of education or accreditation requirements, may be directed to the:

Rhode Island Office of the Attorney General  
150 South Main Street  
Providence, RI 02903

## Campuses

New England Institute of Technology has three campuses in Rhode Island, two in Warwick and a 220-acre campus in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, all a short distance south of the state's capital, Providence.

The main campus in East Greenwich, opened in 2010, consists of two buildings: one containing 312,854 square feet of office, classroom, and laboratory space, and a residence hall. Located on 220 wooded acres in a scenic New England town, this campus is headquarters to all administrative departments. Starting in 2016, the university embarked upon an expansion program including more than 300,000 square feet of new facilities; expanded classroom space, with a further emphasis on information technology capability; a new student dining area; expanded amenities for students, including a fitness center; and the development of a university green open space area.

The four-story, 400-bed residence hall includes student lounges, study rooms, a game room, a lounge with a fireplace and multi-purpose common spaces. NEIT's main building in East Greenwich includes a Student Center dining facility, a café, fireplace, pool and ping pong tables, foosball, a video gaming area, large screen TVs, and a variety of sitting areas and lounges for students to gather. The 8,000 sq. ft. fitness center includes a multi-purpose room for group classes along with a combination of aerobic and fitness equipment and a weight area. An outdoor patio area rounds out the expansion.

The Julian B. Gouse Campus, located at 2500 Post Road, Warwick, consists of two buildings containing more than 120,000 square feet of faculty and administrative offices, classroom and laboratory space, as well as a student lounge and an eating area. The Gouse Campus is named after the late trustee and benefactor of the university. Julian B. Gouse was a member of the original Board of Directors of the National Association of Trade and Technical Schools; a trustee of New England Institute of Technology; and, for twenty years, president of one of America's leading technical schools, Massachusetts Trade Shop School.

The nearby Access Road Campus in Warwick consists of four buildings containing more than 114,000 square feet of office, classroom, and laboratory space featuring a custom-designed 53,000 square-foot facility dedicated exclusively to the training of automotive technicians which opened in April 2005. The Access Road Campus receives power from a 156-foot wind turbine and an array of 135 solar panels. In addition, the automotive laboratory utilizes both energy recovery and geothermal technologies to supply pre-heated and pre-cooled fresh air into the facility.

All buildings on the Gouse, Access Road, and East Greenwich campuses were either originally designed or extensively remodeled to serve the institutional needs of the university, its mission and purposes. Laboratories have been conceived for the technology of the 21st century and they equal or surpass industry standards. Spacious and well-lit, many of these combined classroom/laboratories have been custom-built to faculty and staff specifications. These facilities integrate computers into a highly functional setting for the technological training

that is necessary to prepare students for successful applications in the workplace.

The university requires that all students be prepared to take classes and receive services at any of NEIT's locations where the appropriate classes and services are offered. It may not be possible for a student to take an entire program, including liberal arts courses, at one location.

## Class Size

The usual size of technical classes at New England Institute of Technology is about 15 students. The average size of a liberal arts class is about 20 students. Smaller and larger class sizes are found from time to time in all programs.

## Feinstein Enriching America Program

New England Institute of Technology is the recipient of a grant from the Feinstein Foundation. The objective of the Feinstein Enriching America Program is to promote the theme and values of caring, compassion, and community involvement. All students are encouraged to participate in this program which involves community-based volunteerism and may include academic credit.

## Annual Security Report

NEIT distributes an annual security report to all current students and employees. Prospective students and employees may obtain a copy of the current report from the Business Office. The report includes campus policies regarding various security and emergency matters as well as statistics concerning the occurrence on campus of reported criminal offenses. In its 2023 report, NEIT had minimal incidents to report.

## Student Consumer Information

Information about the institution and its administration of Title IV programs is provided to all current students and upon request to prospective students. Current information can be found at: <https://www.neit.edu/about/public-disclosure> under "Student Consumer Information."