

COLLEGE LEADERSHIP NEW JERSEY



2005 APPLICATION

College Leadership New Jersey (CLNJ) is a collaborative effort of the bachelor's degree granting colleges and universities in New Jersey. It seeks, honors, challenges, and develops college students who have demonstrated the potential to provide the leadership needed on their campuses and in their communities to address the problems and prospects of New Jersey.

The program includes a seven-day residential component that will take place from Friday evening, May 20, to Friday afternoon, May 27, 2005, and a 30-hour community service requirement to be completed the following year. Participants will be selected based on leadership potential; community/campus interest or involvement in organizational activities; and clarity, creativity, and quality in response to application questions. Academic records and community or campus awards are considered but are not the determining factors for program acceptance.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Full-time undergraduate student status at a participating college or university in New Jersey;
- Enrollment as a junior at the time of application submission;
- Demonstrated participation or interest in social, civic, political or community affairs;
- Strong academic record; and
- Submission of a completed application and two references.

COMMITMENT

Attendance at all College Leadership New Jersey seminars is mandatory. Those who are unable to attend the opening retreat or to fulfill the community service requirement during the year following the week-in-residence will be asked to withdraw from the program.

DEADLINES

Applications for the program (including references) must be received by March 14, 2005. You may mail, fax, or e-mail them to:

**College Leadership New Jersey, c/o Rick Brown,
Montclair State University, 104E Student Center, Montclair, NJ 07044**

Fax: (973) 655-4098 Phone: (973) 655-7818 E-mail: brownri@mail.montclair.edu

Students accepted for the program will be notified by April 15, 2005. Please be sure to answer all questions appearing on the back of this application.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PART I --- Application Form

Please answer all of the following questions. Type your answers on plain stationery and be sure to include the number of the question you are answering with each of your responses.

Personal Data

1. Full Name
2. Date of Birth
3. Current/School Address
4. Current/School Phone Number
5. Home/Permanent Address
6. Home/Permanent Phone Number
7. Cell Phone Number
8. E-mail Address
9. How did you learn about College Leadership New Jersey?

School Experience

10. Current College/University
11. Major Field
12. Minor Field
13. Other schools attended (college/university)

Personal Background

14. Age
15. Gender
16. Ethnic/racial background.
17. Do you need handicapped or special accommodations?

Honors and Awards

18. List any special awards or honors for academic, school, or community-related activities you have received in the last 3 years.

Organizations, Activities and Interests

19. List, in order of importance to you, three organizational, athletic, or social activities in which you have participated in the last 3 years, the position(s) you have held, why you have been involved, and any special accomplishments.
20. Briefly describe any community service activities in which you have participated in the last 3 years, and how and why you have been involved.

Work Experience

21. List any job experience you have had and briefly explain what is involved.
22. Do you currently have a part-time job? If yes, how many hours per week do you work?

Essays (Please answer ALL five questions. There is no required minimum or maximum length for these essays, but the clarity and thoughtfulness of your answers, especially to questions 22 and 23, will be a key factor in the admissions decision.)

23. List three major problems facing New Jersey today. Explain why you believe they are significant, and offer recommendations to address them.
24. Write about a significant personal leadership experience or special responsibility you have had and its effect on you.
25. Briefly describe your professional and personal goals.
26. Briefly explain why you decided to apply to College Leadership New Jersey, what you believe you can bring to the program, and what you hope to learn from the experience.
27. Briefly describe any special interests or hobbies that might help us match you with a mentor.

PART II --- References

Please submit references from two persons who know your leadership potential and performance. One of these individuals must also be qualified to speak to your academic performance. The second may be an employer, a supervisor of a volunteer activity, or someone else of your choosing. Members of your family or personal friends may not serve as references. Please give each person serving as a reference one of the enclosed forms with a stamped addressed envelope to College Leadership New Jersey, c/o Rick Brown, Montclair State University, 104E Student Center, Montclair, NJ 07044.

Please include the names and titles of your references with your application.