

What is Travel Instruction?

Travel Instruction teaches people how to travel safely and independently using public transportation such as buses, trains, light rail, community transportation, and ride-share systems. NJTIP training is available online on many platforms and offered onboard many modes of transportation.

NJTIP customers learn how to read bus and train schedules, plan their trips, pay their fares, and take safety precautions when traveling.

After completing their training, our customers can travel on their own to reach work or school, shopping malls, and medical appointments, to visit friends and family, or go to other places they enjoy.

NJTIP Travel Instructors are seasoned professionals with experience in teaching, special education, and assisting individuals with a broad range of disabilities.



What is NJTIP @ Rutgers?

The mission of the New Jersey Travel Independence Program (NJTIP) is to increase the independence and self-sufficiency of people with disabilities, older adults and others by empowering them to use the public transit system safely and independently.

In 2013 NJTIP merged with the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC), a national leader in transportation research and education at Rutgers University's Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy.

Since 2005, NJTIP has worked with government agencies, community agencies, schools, and other organizations to teach travel skills to more than 15,000 individuals.



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the Alan M. Voorhees Transportation Center**

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NJTIP Offers One-on-One Travel Instruction

NJTIP offers One-on-One travel instruction online and onboard public transit. Customers work with a Travel Instructor who teaches them travel skills by riding on the bus or train with them until the customer is ready to travel safely and independently

There are three options for One-on-One travel instruction:

- **Option 1:** One-on-One onboard travel instruction is available to eligible Access Link applicants and customers who live in Bergen, Camden, Essex, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, and Union Counties, except for those with visual impairments. Customers pay their own fare during instruction. Customers completing onboard instructions are eligible for a free one-month transit pass. Online instruction is also offered statewide.
- **Option 2:** One-on-One travel instruction may also be available on a fee-for-service basis depending on the circumstances of the request.
- **Option 3:** Individual mobility coaching is available to residents of select counties free of charge based on available grant funding.



NJTIP @ Rutgers provides travel instruction in a learning environment that is free from discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability or membership in other "protected classes." For more information, please contact NJTIP @ Rutgers at (848) 932-4499 or visit our webpage at njtip.rutgers.edu.

Small Group Travel Instruction

Our Small Group familiarization and orientation programs help people with disabilities, older adults, and others become acquainted with public transportation while enjoying the camaraderie of learning together.

Groups participate in classes and escorted trips to popular local destinations such as shopping centers, transit hubs, and recreational destinations. Online group training with virtual field trips is also available.



In-School Travel Instruction

NJTIP also teaches travel skills to students in high school transition programs. At school-based programs, NJTIP Travel Instructors teach scheduled classes and lead field trips for students to have real-world public transit experience. Training includes traffic safety skills and bus familiarization and can be provided on-site and in-person or through online platforms.

Connect-to-Transit Seminars

NJTIP Travel Instructors teach representatives from social service agencies, schools, and senior residences how to be advocates for public transportation, and assist their clients, students, and residents with navigating the public transportation network. Seminars are offered both in-person, at agency locations, and as online webinars.



"I've taken the train from New York City to Newark, New Brunswick, Rahway, and even Long Branch. I've had wonderful experiences and will continue to participate and enjoy freedom... Thank you so much for being such a large part of my journey!"

- (S.L., NJTIP Graduate)

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