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**2027 Continuing Education Seminars
for Construction and Hotel and
Multiple Dwelling Code Enforcement
Officials and Technical Assistants**

Request for Proposals and Submission Instructions

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #UCC2027

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Issuing Office: Rutgers, Center for Government Services

2027 Continuing Education Seminars for Construction and Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Code Enforcement Officials and Technical Assistants

To: RFP Recipients

From: Danielle Parenti, Senior Program Coordinator

Date: August 17, 2026

Re: Continuing Education Seminars for Code Enforcement Personnel

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, in cooperation with the Center for Government Services – Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, requests proposals for the development and presentation of continuing education seminars. These seminars are offered to state licensed construction code and hotel and multiple dwelling code enforcement personnel, technical assistants, certified special construction inspectors and design professionals, as well as amusement ride safety inspectors, as detailed in this document.

The proposal selected will be approved for a period of one year commencing January 2027. Contracts will be awarded for the spring and fall 2027 semesters. By mutual agreement of both parties, the approval/selection may be extended for two additional one-year periods. If your proposal is to continue beyond this one-year proposal period, you will be notified thirty days before the beginning of each successive academic year(s). Renewals shall be contingent upon satisfactory performance.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Patrick Ryan at NJDCA, (609) 984-7934, or Danielle Parenti at Rutgers University, (848) 932-4754.

Thank you for participating in the bidding process.

Danielle Parenti
Senior Program Coordinator
Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Bidders are strongly encouraged to carefully read the information contained in this RFP package to ensure compliance with its terms and conditions. It is the bidder's responsibility to immediately notify the buyer if any of the documents are missing from the RFP package.

The documents included in this RFP package are delineated below:

- Request for Proposal and Submission Instructions #UCC2027
- Proposal Form (electronic *Proposal Form* that can be retrieved at <https://cgs.rutgers.edu/programs/code-enforcement>)
- ATTACHMENT A: Bidder's Declaration

Forms Required with Proposal by close of business day, September 28, 2026.

1. Proposal Form
2. Supplemental materials
3. Bidder's Declaration (only 1 copy for entire submission)

Electronic ***Proposal Form*** can be retrieved at <https://cgs.rutgers.edu/programs/code-enforcement>. Carefully fill out the ***Proposal Form*** for each seminar you are submitting, sign it, and include with your proposal package.

Supplemental materials should include detailed information about your proposed seminar, existing presentation materials and student handouts. Previously submitted and selected proposals must be resubmitted if you wish to have the seminar reviewed for selection in this academic year. Detailed supplemental materials are required for the previously selected proposals as well. All supplemental materials should be submitted in **electronic form** via Rutgers Box. Bidders must submit sealed proposals only. Any communication which reveals the contents of a sealed proposal, will result in disqualification of the entire proposal. In order to be considered sealed, electronic proposals must be uploaded to Rutgers Box (a secure file sharing platform). Contact Danielle Parenti at danielle.parenti@rutgers.edu to have a secure Rutgers Box folder set up for your submittals.

All proposals must be submitted **electronically** no later than **September 28, 2026**.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE RFP PROCESS

Rutgers reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to accept or reject any proposal based upon the identification of exceptions to the Contract Terms and Conditions by Bidders.

Please note - Rutgers University Procurement Services has embarked on an initiative and for new contracts, electronic payment and invoicing is strongly encouraged. Some of the benefits of electronic payments and invoicing are:

- faster processing and fewer delays
- supporting green initiatives to reduce paper use

For more information, visit <https://procurementservices.rutgers.edu/for-suppliers>.

Affirmative Action Notification

Rutgers is an Equal Opportunity Employer. If awarded a contract under this RFP, Bidder shall be required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A.10:5-31 et seq., the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII, 42 U.S.C.A. S200e et seq., the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C.A. S621 et seq., the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C.A S12101 et seq., Executive Order 11246, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974 and Section 503 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Executive Order 13496 (29 CFR Part 471, Appendix A to Subpart A) as applicable, relating to the notice of employee rights under federal labor laws, and all other laws guaranteeing equal employment. Rutgers requires that once an award is made, if the Agreement is for \$50,000 or greater, and is for a goods or services contract as defined by N.J.A.C. 17:27, bidder is required to provide Rutgers with a copy of either a federally approved Affirmative Action program or a certificate of Employment Information Report. If neither federal form is available, the Supplier must provide a copy of a completed AA-302 form. The forms will need to be provided to Rutgers prior to the final contract being executed or purchase order being issued. Please confirm your ability to meet this requirement in your response.

Negotiations

After evaluating proposals and prior to award of a Contract, Rutgers may, at its sole discretion, enter into negotiations with one or more bidders. The primary purpose of negotiations is to maximize Rutgers' ability to obtain the best value based on the mandatory requirements, evaluation criteria, and cost. Multiple rounds of negotiations, may, at Rutgers sole discretion, be held with one or more bidders. No bidder has a right to participate in the negotiation process. Negotiations shall be structured by Rutgers to safeguard information and ensure that all bidders are treated fairly.

Best and Final Offer (BAFO)

Rutgers reserves the right, at any time prior to the award of a contract and for any reason, to request and consider "best and final" price proposals from one or more of the bidders who have submitted a proposal. The number of bidders allowed to submit "best and finals" and the scope of the "best and finals" shall be determined solely by Rutgers. No bidder has a right to submit a "best and final". Any bidder who is asked and fails to submit a "best and final" may not be given further consideration.

Negotiations and BAFO will be conducted only in those circumstances where Rutgers deems it is in its best interest to do so. Therefore, bidders are advised to submit their best price proposal in response to this RFP since Rutgers may, after evaluation, make an award based on the initial submission without further negotiations and of a BAFO opportunity.

Agreement to Requirements, Terms & Conditions

By submission, bidder agrees that it has thoroughly examined and fully understands all of the requirements, terms and conditions contained in this RFP; that it has carefully reviewed and fully supports the accuracy of its proposal; and that Rutgers shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the Bidder in preparing the proposal.

Proposal Format

All proposals must be typed. Any required signatures must be electronic or in ink. Electronic submissions must be in PDF format.

Rejection of Proposals

Rutgers has the right to reject any or all proposals, wholly or in part, for any reason. Rutgers reserves the right to waive any technical or formal defect of any proposal.

Bidder Selection and Award

Rutgers may make an award based on the proposals submitted, without discussion, clarification or modification, or on the basis of negotiation with any or all of the bidders. Rutgers is not required to select a proposal or enter into a contract. At its sole option and discretion, Rutgers may (i) waive any technicalities, informalities, or irregularities in any proposal; (ii) award a contract in whole or in part; or (iii) award multiple contracts to multiple bidders. If Rutgers awards a contract, it will award the contract to the bidder or bidders whose proposal(s) is (are) the most advantageous to the University as determined by Rutgers in its sole discretion.

Right to Seek and Consider Additional Information

Rutgers reserves the right to seek clarification and additional information on any point in connection with this RFP from any or all bidders if it is in Rutgers best interest to do so. Rutgers reserves the right to check Bidder's financial capacity and ability to successfully undertake and provide the services required by this RFP. Rutgers reserves the right to consider evidence of formal or other complaints against any bidder(s) by Rutgers for contracts held in the past or present by the bidder.

Right to Cancel

Rutgers reserves the right to cancel this RFP without any obligation and for any reason, in part or in its entirety. Rutgers shall notify all registered bidders for this RFP of a decision to cancel the RFP.

Postponement of a Bid Opening

If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Rutgers processes to cause the postponement of the scheduled bid opening or the issuance of an addendum, the buyer will issue, in writing, to all bidders, the new timeline and process for this RFP.

Cost Liability

Rutgers is not liable for any cost incurred by bidders prior to the issuance of a contract.

Proposals Will Belong to University

All information submitted in response to this RFP becomes the property of Rutgers and may become a part of any resulting contract. Award or rejection of a response does not affect this right.

Validity of Proposal

Proposals submitted shall be valid for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days. No work shall be performed until a contract has been fully executed and a Purchase Order has been issued.

Confidentiality

As an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, Rutgers is subject to the Open Public Records Act (OPRA) and has an obligation to keep its business dealings and transactions transparent. Consequently, the presumption applicable to all solicitations is that bid forms, proposals, documents and responses submitted to Rutgers are releasable under OPRA. OPRA only provides for certain exemptions where documents in the possession of Rutgers, as a public entity, are exempt from disclosure. If a Bidder believes that a certain limited, portion of the information included in the bid proposal is trade secrets, proprietary, commercial or financial information that portion should be clearly marked "Confidential." Please consult the OPRA website prior to identifying any portion of a bid "Confidential" (<http://www.state.nj.us/opra>). It is not acceptable to simply label the entire Proposal "Confidential."

Code of Conduct and Fair Competition

It is the responsibility of the bidder to notify the Issuing Office in writing of any possible conflict of interest as set forth herein. Rutgers will investigate the matter and determine if an actual conflict of interest exists. Rutgers expects all of its suppliers to comply with the New Jersey State Conflict of Interest Law as set forth in NJSA 52:13D -12 et seq. and as outlined at <http://www.state.nj.us/ethics/statutes/conflicts/>.

Rutgers reserves the right to cancel the award if, in its sole discretion, it determines that any interest disclosed from any source could give the appearance of a conflict or cause speculation as to the objectivity of the program to be developed by the bidder. Rutgers' determination regarding any questions of conflict of interest shall be final.

Representation of Ability to Perform

Submission of a response to this RFP constitutes a representation that there is no action suit, proceeding, inquiry or governmental agency, public board or body, pending or, to the best of the bidder's knowledge, threatened, which would in any way prohibit, restrain or enjoin the execution or delivery of the bidder's obligations, or diminish the bidder's obligations or financial ability to perform under the terms of the proposed contract.

Applicable Laws

Bidder must comply with all local, state and federal laws rules and regulations applicable to the proposal.

Proposal Withdrawal

Bidders may change or withdraw a proposal at any time prior to the Close Date by viewing their completed submission in the system. If during a bid evaluation process an obvious pricing error made by a bidder is found, Rutgers may issue a written notice to the bidder. The bidder will have five (5) days after the notice to confirm its pricing. If the bidder fails to respond, the proposal shall be considered withdrawn, and no further consideration shall be given to it.

Continuing Education Program for Construction and Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Code Enforcement Officials and Technical Assistants

The State of New Jersey requires all construction and hotel and multiple dwelling code enforcement officials in the state to be licensed under the Uniform Construction Code -N.J.A.C. 5:23, subchapter 5 and the Regulations for Maintenance of Hotels and Multiple Dwellings N.J.A.C. 5:10, subchapter 1B, respectively. Amusement ride safety inspectors are also licensed in accord with subchapter 5 of the UCC. Technical Assistants and special construction inspectors are also certified under the regulations at N.J.A.C. 5:23, subchapter 5.

Continuing education enables these professionals to perform the functions of their jobs, including review and approval of construction plans and monitoring of the construction process. Hotel and multiple dwelling inspectors are charged with the duty to enforce crucial maintenance requirements on those type of buildings to ensure the health and welfare of the occupants, ranging from building maintenance and structural requirements to fire safety provisions. Special inspectors are certified to perform independent third-party inspections on critical and complex ongoing construction processes that are properly carried out and in compliance with the building code. In order to maintain their licenses, these individuals are required to participate in a minimum number of approved continuing education programs within each three-year licensing period.

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, in cooperation with the Center for Government Services - Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, regularly offers a program of continuing education seminars to assist code enforcement personnel in meeting their educational requirements. This packet includes complete instructions for submitting a proposal to develop and teach these seminars.

Proposals must be received no later than September 28, 2026. All proposals will be evaluated, and final selections will be made by a committee comprised of both DCA and Rutgers staff. Successful bidders will be notified via the scheduling process. Seminars will be selected in January for the spring semester, which commences in late March. Selection of seminars for the fall semester will be completed in July.

Online Training

The seminars within the program are mainly presented fully online. The online seminars are conducted in real time through the GoToTraining platform. In order to conduct online training, you must have the necessary technical capabilities on your computer – fast internet, operating microphone and speakers. The content and topic requirements for the online GoToTraining seminars are identical to in-person training programs and are outlined in this document.

Proposals should include an affirmative statement that they are able to be presented in an online synchronous format, given the fact that online programs have become the majority of our educational programs. If the proposal is not able to be presented online, that should also be prominently stated in the description and/or methods of presentations portions of the proposal.

Online presentations must include polls or tests as part of the presentation to ensure that attendees are absorbing the material and to ensure attentiveness. It is expected that presenters create at least

2 polls or tests for the morning portion of the presentation and at least 1 for the afternoon portion of the session. Instructors will be given access to our online platform prior to the session to create those items and to upload student materials.

Categories of Interest

The following list of seminar topics was created largely from suggestions from construction code enforcement personnel or identified by the Department as critical topics necessary for the code official to maintain their performance at the highest level. It represents topics of particular interest, but is not exhaustive, nor exclusive of other topics of interest or importance. Additional resources and material may be gleaned from reviewing the regulations at N.J.A.C. 5:23-5.20 and 5:10-1B.5 that delineate the educational requirements to obtain a construction code license and the duties of hotel and multiple dwelling inspectors/officials, respectively.

We welcome any topic of interest to the code enforcement community that is timely and/or relevant.

Please note:

- To satisfy the 0.5 CEU requirements, a one-day seminar should be 5 hours in length.
- To satisfy the 1.0 CEU requirements, a two-day seminar should be 10 hours in length.
- Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course. Proposals for 2-3-day test academies will also be reviewed.
- The topic(s) of your seminar must adhere to the New Jersey adopted regulations and standards.
- Practical and hands-on aspects of the training are important.

➤ Administrative

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

Technical Assistants are now officially certified. In addition to the topics below, we are looking for seminars that focus on the particular duties of technical assistants.

- Right of repose (DKM Decision), New Home Warranty Program, New Home Builder Registrations and Home Improvement Contractors- How they fit together
- Construction Board of Appeals- training for new members and code officials
- Testifying at a Trial
- Annual permit process, limitations and recording requirements
- Minor work
- Asbestos and Lead Abatement
- Enforcement process- proper process for violations
- Mechanical Inspections on 1 & 2 Family Dwellings
- Records Retention
 - Electronic systems and communications
 - OPRA
- Protection of Adjoining Properties and Public Rights of Way (including elevations and construction cranes)

- PEOSH Requirements for Construction Code Inspectors
- Special Inspection Process (dual administrative and building)
- UCC Administration- Overall Review for Subcode and Construction Officials
- Prior Approvals
- Right of Entry
- Conflict of Interest/Ethics for the code official
- Barrier Free Subcode Requirements
- Soil Conservation Guidelines, Investigations and Soil Types (dual administrative and building)
- Budgeting Concerns
- Municipal Procedures
- The Design Professional and the Code Official- Working Toward the Same Goal
- Interagency Relationships and Referrals
- Inspections and Investigations (primarily for housing inspections)
- Variations
- SLCHIP Inspection Processes and Enforcement Actions
- The NJ Uniform Fire Code and the Construction Code Official
- Disaster Management for the Construction Code Official
- Flood Resistant Construction and the Code Official (dual administrative and building)
- Time Management
- Technical Assistant to the Construction Official refresher
 - Taking and issuing permits, group identification, checklists
 - Permit technician test academy
- Training for trainers- effective use of PowerPoint
- Train-the-trainer 40-hour certification program- including hybrid training techniques
- Trainer Update- 5 hours

➤ **Building**

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- 2024 International Building Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Residential Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Energy Conservation Code- Essential elements
 - Including ASHRAE 90.1
- Dust Collection Explosion Hazards
- Gas hearth requirements/fireplace inserts/wood burning stoves/pellet burning appliances and venting requirements
- Penetrations of rated assemblies
 - Vertical opening protection, exit stairways
- Flood Resistant Construction Techniques- all or any combination of the following topics can be the primary focus:
 - Foundations
 - Equipment
 - Elevation Techniques

- IRC Exterior Wall Construction Requirements
 - Wall Bracing Requirements
- Mixed Uses
- Barrier Free Subcode Requirements & Actual Application
- Structural Loads
- Field Practices and Inspections for Concrete and Structural Steel
- Trusses
- Light Gauge Metal Framing- IRC and/or IBC Requirements
- Mid-Rise Residential Construction
- Rated Assemblies and Calculated Fire Resistance
- Foundation Problems
- Soils in Construction and Understanding Soil Report Results (dual administrative and building)
- Workshop/Lab- Masonry Construction
- Rehabilitation Subcode Requirements
- Deck Construction Requirements
 - Including a Workshop
- Special Inspection Process (dual admin and building)
- Seismic Design Requirements
- Precast Foundations and Walls
- Structural Problems and Failures
- Explosion Venting
- Buildings of Hazardous Occupancies
- Firestopping and Draftstopping
- Energy Efficiency Requirements for both Rehab and New Construction
- Tank installation and removal
- Residential demolitions
- Residential HVAC installation and inspections
 - Manuals S, J and D
- Testing academy for residential building and mechanical inspector

➤ **Special Inspectors**

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- Special inspector institute – gateway to certification
- Ultrasonic & Magnetic Particle Weld Inspections
- Reinforced steel inspections
- Masonry grouting requirements
- Repair/restoration of masonry systems
- Masonry Inspections
- Concrete Inspection Techniques
- Reinforced Concrete Testing and Inspection
- Prestressed Concrete Testing and Inspection
- Structural Steel Bolting Testing and Inspection

- Structural Welding Testing and Inspection
- Weld Test Procedures
- Exterior Insulation Finish Systems (EIFS) Testing and Inspection
 - Moisture Analysis
 - System Components
- Spray-applied Fireproofing Testing and Inspection
- Structural Steel and Jointing
- Structural Problems and Failures
- Mass Timber Construction
- Soils Testing

➤ Elevator

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- Review of Acceptance Tests
- Elevator Plan Review, including electronic reviews
- Gearless Elevators & MRL Type Elevators
- 2019 ASME A17.1/2017 ASME A18.1 – Essential elements
- New Jersey UCC and How it Applies to ASME A17.1
- A18.1 Need to Know and the 2017 Updates
- PEOSH Requirements for Elevator Inspectors

➤ Fire Protection

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- CO detection in all uses
- Dust Collection Explosion Hazards
- High Piled Storage Requirements
- Alternative Extinguishing Systems
- Inserts for fireplace conversions
- Vertical Opening Protections
 - Fire Dampers
 - Interior Exit – Stairways
- Installation Guidelines and Requirements for Residential Fire
 - Sprinkler Systems with Workshop- Laboratory/Workshop Experience
- Acceptance and Inspection of Fire Alarm Systems
 - With Workshop- Laboratory/Workshop Experience
- Referenced Standards of the International Fire Code in the Building Code
- ESFR Sprinkler Head Code Requirements
- Commercial Cooking Appliance Fire Protection Requirements
- Sprinkler Design
- Fire Pumps- Design and Code Compliance
- Fire Protection Water Supply
- Hydraulic Calculations

- Acceptance and Inspection of Fire Sprinklers
- Requirements for Residential Sprinklers based on section P2904 from the 2024 International Residential Code
- Rehabilitation Subcode Requirements
- Tank installation and removal
- Misting systems/standpipes/total flood systems
- Industrial Foam Systems

➤ **Mechanical**

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- Mechanical Plan Review
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Both Residential and Commercial
- Residential HVAC installation and inspections
 - Manuals S, J and D
- 2024 International Fuel Gas Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Mechanical Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Energy Conservation Code- Essential elements
 - Including ASHRAE 90.1
- Mechanical Inspections of 1 and 2 Family Dwellings
- Gas hearth requirements/fireplace inserts/wood burning stoves/pellet burning appliances and venting requirements
- Chimney Verification & Mechanical Inspector Responsibilities
- Chimneys and Vents
- Venting of HVAC Systems
- Gas Fired Appliance Vent Sizing
- HVAC Requirements
- Gas Installations
- Materials
 - CSST Piping
 - Plastic
 - Steel
 - Other
- HVAC Duct Design, including energy code compliance
- Hydronic Heating Systems
- Geothermal Heating Systems
- Air Conditioning Refrigerant Systems
- Mechanical inspector test academy

➤ Plumbing

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- 2024 National Standard Plumbing Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Fuel Gas Code- Essential elements
- 2024 International Mechanical Code- Essential elements
- Geothermal/Solar Thermal Heating Systems and Inspection Responsibilities
- Determining the Sanitary and Storm Drainage Sizing and Sanitary Vent Pipe Sizing
- Backflow Prevention/Applications
- Grease Interceptors and Commercial Kitchens
- New Plumbing Products
- Boiler and Combustion Systems
 - Combustion Air Calculations
- Mixing Valve ASSE Standards
- Commercial Plumbing Applications
- New Types of Plastic Domestic Water Piping/Manifold Domestic Water Plumbing Systems
- Plastic Piping Used in Hydronic Radiant Heating Systems
- Underground Plastic Gas Piping With New Materials
- Propane Tanks and Storage- 5:18 Regulations, NFPA 58
- Installation Guidelines for CPVC and Copper Residential Fire Sprinkler Systems
- ASME Boiler Code and Plumbing Inspector's Responsibilities
- Rehabilitation Subcode Requirements for the Plumbing Inspector
- Gas hearth requirements/fireplace inserts/wood burning stoves/pellet burning appliances and venting requirements
- Requirements for Residential Sprinklers based on section P2904 from the 2024 NJ IRC

➤ Amusement Ride Safety

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- Carnival Operations and Set-up
- Accident Prevention
- Temporary Requirements (electrical)- Halloween/Special Events/Carnivals
- Inflatable ride requirements
- Non-Destructive Testing
- Welding
- Hydraulics
- Electromagnetic Wire Rope Testing
- Pneumatics
- ASTM F2291
- Water Parks
- Ride Specific Information
- Metallurgy

➤ Hotel and Multiple Dwellings

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- Lead Safety
- Maintenance and Occupancy Standards
- Fire Safety Violations- When to Cite Subchapter 3 versus using Subchapter 4
- Administration and Enforcement Provisions of the Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Law
- Means of Egress and Fire Separation Assemblies
- Electrical, Elevator, Heating and Plumbing Standards
- Health and Safety Standards
- Vacant Buildings
- Sanitation and Infestation
- Carbon Monoxide Alarm Requirements
- Child-Protection Window Guards
- Natural Light, Ventilation
- Required Facilities and Security
- Cyclical Inspections
- Re-inspections

➤ Electrical

Some topics listed below will take considerably less than 5 hours to cover - they may be bundled together to create a full-day course.

- 2023 National Electrical Code (NEC) – Essential elements
- NEC Swimming Pool Requirements
- Low Voltage/LED lighting
- Rehabilitation Code for Electrical Inspectors
- Multi-family/Mixed Use electrical installations/plan review/inspections
- High Voltage Inspections
- PEOSH Requirements for Electrical Inspectors
- Fire Pumps
- Interconnected Electrical Power Production Sources
- Emergency/Standby Systems
- Electrical Inspection Basics
- What to Look for In an Electrical Inspection
- NEC Compliance for Photovoltaic Systems- including a hands-on workshop
- Bonding and Grounding
- Residential Installations
- Commercial Installations
- Alternative Power Systems (Generator systems)
- Energy Use and Calculations for Residential Applications and Code Compliance
- Energy Code Requirements for the Electrical Inspector
- Article 440 Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
- General Wiring and Installation
- Fuses, Breakers and AFCI's
- Class 1, 2 and 3 Power Limited Circuits
- Electrical Plan Review Responsibilities

- Fire Alarm Systems
- Low Voltage Systems
- Communication Wiring Penetrating Fire Rated Assemblies
- Signal Circuits
- Arc Fault Calculations
- Handling Water Damaged Electrical Equipment
- Light Box Installations
- Rehabilitation Subcode Requirements for the Electrical Inspector
- Multi-wire Circuits and Suitable Wiring Devices
- Health Care Facilities Requirements
- Branch Circuit, Feeder and Service Calculations
- Electrical Plan Review and Inspection Checklist
- Circuit Breaker Coordination Study
- CO detection in all uses

Selection Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on all of the following criteria. Any seminar proposal **MUST** clearly demonstrate a direct connection to the administration and enforcement activities outlined in either the Uniform Construction Code or the Regulations for the Maintenance of Hotels and Multiple Dwellings, or it will not be reviewed further.

Please note, to submit the proposal you **MUST** use the electronic ***Proposal Form***. It can be retrieved at <https://cgs.rutgers.edu/programs/code-enforcement>. Carefully fill out the ***Proposal Form*** FOR EACH SEMINAR YOU ARE SUBMITTING, sign it, attach all required supplemental materials in electronic form, and upload your proposal no later than **September 28, 2026**.

Supplemental Materials

Supplemental materials should include detailed information about your proposed seminar, existing presentation materials and student handouts. Previously submitted and selected proposals **must** be resubmitted if you wish to have the seminar reviewed for selection in this academic year. Detailed supplemental materials are required for the previously selected proposals as well. All supplemental materials should be submitted in **electronic form**. Failure to submit supplemental materials as a part of your proposal may result in rejection of your proposal.

Seminar Title

- The title is clear, brief, specific and descriptive

Fill out the “Seminar Title” field on the ***Proposal Form***.

Target Audience/ Category of Interest

- Discipline(s) addressed: i.e. Administrative, Building, Plumbing, Technical Assistant, etc.

Fill out the “Target Audience/ Category of Interest” field on the ***Proposal Form***. Indicate whether the seminar is intended for an administrative or technical audience. If technical, state what subcode(s) the seminar will address—Building, Electrical, Elevator, Fire Protection, Mechanical, Plumbing, Multiple Dwelling or Amusement Ride Safety.

Seminar Abstract

- The abstract is clear, brief, specific and descriptive
- The abstract describes the content, what participants will learn, and presentation format

Fill out the “Seminar Abstract” field on the **Proposal Form**. In under 75 words, please describe your seminar, focusing on need and practical experience. If your proposal is accepted, this description will be edited for use in the program catalog. Include specific references to the applicable subchapter(s) of the Uniform Construction Code (N.J.A.C. 5:23) and/or the Regulations for the Maintenance of Hotels and Multiple Dwellings (N.J.A.C. 5:10).

Seminar Purpose/Value

- The proposed topic is relevant and timely
- Stated objectives and goals are clear and specific
- The seminar fulfills the needs of the inspector or official in the field or office and includes a valuable set of job aids and/or tools to help participants back on the job

Fill out the “Seminar Purpose/Value” field on the **Proposal Form**. State the purpose of your presentation. This should be phrased in terms of what participants will learn and will be able to do, not what the presenter will do.

Seminar Outline/Content

- Detailed course outline is provided, including time allotments
- Contents fit together in a logical way
- Seminar has summary and conclusion including test for review
- The content of the seminar is clearly described
- The content of the seminar is appropriate for the target audience
- Practical and hands-on aspects of the training are clearly indicated

Fill out the “Seminar Outline/Content” field on the **Proposal Form**. A detailed outline of your seminar must specify the amount of time you plan to spend on each topic. If you feel you need more space to adequately describe your seminar, please attach the outline as a separate document. The seminar must fill 5 hours for a one-day seminar, or 10 hours for a two-day seminar. Different subject matter may be combined to fill 5 hours.

Seminar Method/Format

- Teaching methods and activities are described
- Electronic materials are integrated into seminar
- Teaching style is described
- A sample of study materials and a sample of any in-class review test(s) are included in the proposal package

On the ***Proposal Form***, describe your teaching style. Please indicate what teaching methods and activities will be used. Specify how the electronic material will enhance the seminar. Please attach a sample of any study materials to be used in conjunction with the seminar and a sample of the in-class review test. If these materials have not yet been developed, a detailed description will suffice; however, these materials must be filed before the course commences.

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs reserves the right to keep on hand extra handouts to be used as part of, and/or in conjunction with, the continuing education program. Please indicate on the ***Proposal Form*** if we have consent to video tape and possibly use the handouts/material online.

Rutgers follows very strict copyright regulations. The instructor—not Rutgers—will be responsible for obtaining written permission for photocopying any item which contains material from another source.

Review Test

- Test measures students' outcomes at the end of your seminar
- Test has clear comprehensible format

An in-class review test is strongly encouraged. If your seminar includes a review test, please attach a sample to your proposal. The test should include a minimum of 5 questions. Please select the format of the questions that fits your material best (multiple choice, fill-in-blank, open-ended, etc.).

Presenter Information

- Includes instructor(s) resume
- Resume cites experience and background as related to specific codes including New Jersey licenses held
- Three references that can confirm presenter's skills are attached

Fill out the "Presenter Information" field on the ***Proposal Form***. Please attach a resume that includes the number and types of presentation experiences which qualify the presenter to make the presentation, plus references, cite experience and background, including New Jersey licenses held. Please attach resumes for each instructor teaching the seminar.

*NOTE: If an instructor is not listed in your submission, he or she is ineligible to instruct the seminar without prior formal approval by Rutgers University and the Department.

Cost of the Seminar

- Proposal includes total cost, including travel and meal expenses
- Proposal includes cost of handouts per person
- Proposal indicates whether handouts are to be reproduced by Rutgers or provided by the presenter

Fill out the "Statement of Cost" field on the ***Proposal Form***. Please indicate the per seminar instructional fee, including travel and meal expenses. Travel and meal expenses should not be shown separately. **The fee per seminar is to cover ALL expenses associated with seminar**

instruction except overnight accommodations when necessary. The per copy cost of any study materials should be shown separately.

*NOTE: Any seminar for which development fees are paid becomes the sole Property of Rutgers University and may not be presented to another audience without prior written permission from Rutgers University. **Please note that if your proposal contains substantive references to the code or related reference standards and any changes are introduced and subsequently adopted to the code or regulations, it is your responsibility to update the seminar and include the proper references, as applicable. In addition, if a seminar needs to be transitioned to an online offering, it is the responsibility of the bidder to update the seminar to fit the virtual training format. No additional development fee can be requested.**

General Information

A committee, comprising both DCA and Rutgers staff, as well as field experts will evaluate the proposals based on the selection criteria. Scheduling is anticipated to occur in January for the spring semester, which commences in March. Scheduling is anticipated to occur in July for the fall semester, which commences in October.

To submit the proposal, you **MUST** use the electronic ***Proposal Form*** that can be retrieved at <https://cgs.rutgers.edu/programs/code-enforcement>. Carefully fill out the ***Proposal Form*** FOR EACH SEMINAR YOU ARE SUBMITTING, sign it, and attach supplemental materials in electronic format. In addition, please provide **one copy** of the signed Bidder's Declaration (Attachment A) with your proposal submission. Your proposal will not be considered without submission of all required materials. All proposals must be submitted via Rutgers Box (a secure file sharing platform) no later than **September 28, 2026**. Contact Danielle Parenti at danielle.parenti@rutgers.edu to have a secure Rutgers Box folder set up for your submissions.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Danielle Parenti at Rutgers University, (848) 932-4754, or Patrick Ryan at NJDCA, (609) 984-7934.

Thank you for participating in the 2027 Continuing Education Program for Construction and Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Code Enforcement Officials and Technical Assistants proposal process!

ATTACHMENT A

BIDDER'S DECLARATION

This proposal is in response to Rutgers Request for Proposals ("RFP") for Implementation Services for Procure-to-Pay System RFP #UCC2027.

Bidder agrees to perform in accordance with all provisions of the RFP documents and any addenda thereto, except as may be specifically stated in this proposal, at the prices set forth in their proposal.

Signature of the bidder attests that the bidder has read, understands, and agrees to all terms, conditions, and specifications set forth in this Request for Proposal unless otherwise stated in writing and submitted with the proposal and that Rutgers shall not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the undersigned in preparing this proposal.

Authorized Signatory

Title

Company Name

Date

Company Address

Telephone Number

Federal Taxpayer I.D. Number

Email Address

DUNS Number