

Acting Governor Guadagno Congratulates Second Class of Woodrow Wilson New Jersey Teaching Fellows

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Sixty-Five Teachers Receive Specialized Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics Education to Teach in High-Need Schools

Trenton, NJ – Acting Governor Kim Guadagno on Wednesday announced the 65 members of the second class of the Woodrow Wilson New Jersey Teaching Fellows Program. With more than 500 applicants for this year's Fellowships, the highly competitive program recruits both recent graduates and career changers with strong backgrounds in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and prepares them to teach in high-need secondary schools.

"As one of only five states to offer the Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellowship Program, New Jersey proudly continues its legacy of STEM excellence, ensuring that our teachers and students are prepared for the careers of the 21st century," said Acting Governor Guadagno. "This program equips highly-skilled teachers throughout our state, giving each student access to the tools that will help them succeed."

Administered by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (WW Foundation), the Fellowship program is offered at The College of New Jersey, Montclair State University, Rowan University, Rutgers University–Camden, and William Paterson University. Each Fellow receives \$30,000 to complete a specially designed, cutting-edge master's degree program based on a yearlong classroom experience.

After obtaining their degree, Fellows commit to teach for three years in New Jersey schools designated by the U.S. Department of Education as having a high concentration of students from low-income families. Fellows receive

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ongoing support and mentoring during the three years.

"We are committed to helping New Jersey strengthen and ensure its pipeline of effective educators," said Dr. Stephanie Hull, the WW Foundation's executive vice president and chief operating officer. "These new Fellows are impressive, dedicated candidates who want to make a career of teaching the students who need them most in urban and rural New Jersey. Our campus partners are giving them creative, focused preparation to succeed. We are proud of our Fellows and confident that they are on track to make a real difference in young people's lives."

The New Jersey Teaching Fellowship is funded through the support of foundations and philanthropists.

A list of this year's Fellows can be found [HERE](#).

More information on the Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellowship program can be found online at:

<http://woodrow.org/fellowships/ww-teaching-fellowships/>.

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