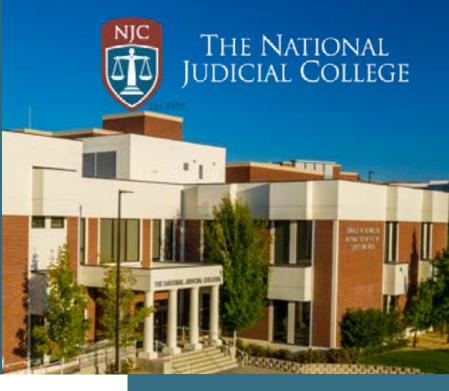
General Jurisdiction

April 13 - 22, 2026 Reno, Nevada

Tuition: \$2,399 Conference Fee: \$779 CLE: 55 credits, estimated



The NJC's flagship course is the first stepping stone to a long and fulfilling career on the bench. The course supplements state-sponsored judicial education by immersing newer judges in the core competencies of judging while building lifelong connections.

The faculty are trained in adult learning methods and deliver interactive, thought-provoking sessions. Participants thrive during the analysis and sharing that takes place in the daily small-group break-out discussions led by facilitators. The atmosphere is intended to be relaxed with as much time as possible for completing exercises, but the sessions are deliberately provocative in comparing methods, ideas, and procedures. Judges return home with expanded knowledge and confidence, as well as a new network of colleagues.

Who should attend?

The course is designed for the newer general jurisdiction judge. Most participants find their attendance is most meaningful if they attend six to 24 months after taking the bench.

What is included in the fees?

Tuition includes all in-person materials and access to digital materials. The mandatory conference fee provides for all breakfasts and lunches in the NJC dining room as well as two off-campus dinners. Scholarships, payment plans, and deferred payments may be available. Start the registration process to determine eligibility.

More info: judges.org/gjspring

Objectives

- Rule on evidence more confidently.
- Deliver fair and impartial decisions that have a solid foundation for being upheld.
- Handle juries and sentencing more effectively.
- Manage your courtroom and individual cases efficiently, including cases involving self-represented litigants.
- Develop tools to address media inquiries and social media use.
- Create an appropriate case flow management system for your court.
- Summarize and apply developments in civil case techniques.
- Address electronically stored information discovery issues.

Established in 1963, the NJC is a nonprofit organization and the only educational institution in the U.S. that teaches judges of all types from across the 50 states, Indian Country and abroad.