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The Educational Opportunity Program

The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is designed to make higher education a possibility for students who have the potential and motivation to achieve academic success with the assistance of comprehensive support services.

Eligibility

To qualify for EOP, you must be a California resident and an undergraduate student with a family history of low income and limited educational achievement. In addition, you must demonstrate academic capabilities and be motivated to achieve your educational goals. If the combination of your grades, test scores, and high school courses does not meet criteria normally required for entrance to the university, special admission may be offered. EOP also admits regularly eligible students with specific economic and educational support needs.

Services for EOP Students

Special services designed to support and assist EOP students in developing their academic potential include:

- preadmission counseling
- orientation programs

- special summer program — a three-week, intensive session that focuses on the development of essential academic skills
- diagnostic testing
- financial aid follow-up
- academic advising
- tutorial services
- learning assistance workshops
- counseling
- career planning
- recreational activities

EOP Grant

Eligible students may be offered EOP grants each academic year. You may apply for the grant by using the standard financial aid application form and procedures required by the Financial Aid Office.

How to Apply for EOP

When you apply for admission through EOP, you are required to submit additional forms and materials. This process enables EOP to select the most qualified applicants to fill the limited number of


enrollment openings available each year.

Pick up a copy of the CSU system-wide application booklet and the EOP application from the Admissions or EOP offices at any CSU campus or from your high school counselor.

Submit the following admissions materials to the Office of Admissions and Records:

- Part U — Application for Undergraduate Admission
- \$55 application fee or Fee Waiver Request form
- ACT or SAT test score (The EOP Office recommends the ACT for applicants in high school.)

Submit the following application materials to the EOP office:

- applicant information form
- nomination form
- autobiographical statement
- recommendation form
- high school and/or college transcripts, or GED score 

EOP students receive a wide range of information — from assessment of class schedules to financial aid status to housing arrangements.

