

Educational Opportunity Program

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

Eligibility

To qualify for the E.O.P., you must be an undergraduate student with a history of low family income. 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 do not meet criteria normally required for entrance to the university, special

admission may be offered. E.O.P. also admits regularly eligible students with specific economic and educational support needs.

Services for E.O.P. Students

Special services designed to support and assist the E.O.P. students in developing their academic potential include the following:

- Pre-admission counseling
- Orientation programs
- Special summer program—a four-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

Financial Assistance

The E.O.P. Grant is available to eligible students in the amount of \$200 to \$1,000 each academic year. You may apply for the grant by using the standard financial aid application forms and procedures required by the Financial Aids Office.

How to Apply for E.O.P.

When you apply for admission through E.O.P., you are required to submit additional forms and materials. This process enables E.O.P. to select the most qualified applicants to fill the limited number of enrollment openings available each year.

Admissions Materials to Submit to the Office of Admissions and Records

Pick up a copy of the CSU system-wide application booklet and the E.O.P. application from the Admissions or E.O.P. Office of any CSU campus, or from your high school counselor, and submit the following:

1. Part A—the Application for Admission/Readmission
2. \$35 Application Fee or Fee Waiver Application Form
3. High school and/or college transcripts, or G.E.D. score
4. SAT or ACT test score.

Application Materials to Submit to the E.O.P. Office

1. Applicant Information Form
2. Nomination Form
3. Autobiographical Statement
4. One Recommendation Form