Supporting Students through the Educational Opportunity Program
Fall 2018 Community College Counselor Conference
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What is EOP?

• Established in 1969 under Senate Bill 1072 (Harmer Bill)

• Targets students who have the potential to perform satisfactorily in the CSU but have not been able to realize this potential because of economic or educational background

• Provides admission, academic, and financial assistance to accommodate the needs of the individual campus student population

• Provides academic support and retention services to first-generation, historically low income and educationally disadvantaged students

• Tailors its programs to accommodate the needs of the individual campus student population
EOP Programs at All CSU Campuses
Resources Available to EOP Students

*Each campus portfolio of programs and services may differ.
EOP Student Resources

• Orientation
• Summer Bridge
• Academic Advisement
• Financial Assistance
• Internships & Job Opportunities
• Student Associations & Student Leadership Conferences
• Graduation Celebrations

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Difference between EOP and EOP&S

- Income
  - EOP&S California College Promise Grant Income Criteria vs. CSU EOP Income Criteria
    - California College Promise Grant – minimum need threshold vs. CSU EOP – minimum Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)

- Selection Process
  - Application Process (Cal State Apply)
  - Admission Processes (Admission term only)
  - Financial Aid Eligibility (Higher Cost of Attendance)
  - Student Eligibility Requirements
  - EOP&S Book Vouchers vs. EOP Grant
Who May Apply?
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• Historically low-income and educationally disadvantaged undergraduate students who need admission assistance and support services to succeed in college

• Students who demonstrate academic potential and motivation

• California residents and students who qualify for AB 540 nonresident tuition exemption
### 2019-2020 EOP Income Criteria

#### DEPENDENT STUDENT WORKBOOK

**EOP Income Screening Criteria**

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- High School Graduate or Equivalent
- Meet CSU Eligibility for Regular Admission
- EOP considers admission for students who may not meet regular admission criteria on a campus by campus basis
Applying to EOP

Cal State Apply and EOP are one Application

• Create an account for Cal State Apply
• Complete your profile
• Select your programs (majors)
• Complete the third quadrant of the application – **Select “Yes” on the Interested in EOP question**
  • The EOP application is integrated in the **Supporting Information** quadrant
Applying to EOP

Cal State Apply 3rd Quadrant – Supporting Information

EOP Tiles now in Supporting Information
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EOP Recommendations

Email address is used to match recommendations

New Recommendation Portal

Character count and Copy & Paste now available
Applying to EOP

Cal State Apply Updates

• Applicants can return to complete the EOP portion of the application until January 15th
  • Exception: Chico, Fresno, Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Bernardino will close on November 30th
Applying to EOP

Fall 2019 EOP Admission Status

• All campuses are accepting EOP applications
  • Channel Islands, Dominguez Hills and Stanislaus are not accepting transfer student applications

• For updated EOP admission status, visit the following link
  https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/student-services/eop/Pages/eop-campus-status.aspx
Biographical Questions & Recommendations
What Students and Counselors Should Know
Biographical Questions

Tips for Assisting Students

• Avoid very brief answers
• Discuss achievements and hardships
• Do not use placeholder characters to save
  Tile
  • Students forget to return and complete
  • Character Count (2500) and Copy & Paste are now available
Recommendations

Tips for Recommenders

• Responses can only help students
• Honest assessment about skills and capabilities
• Avoid very brief answers
• Check deadlines for each campus
  • Documents deadline is January 31, 2019
    • Exception: Fresno – December 14, 2018,
      Los Angeles – January 15, 2019
      San Bernardino – December 7, 2018
Additional Information

- Cal State Apply site – Calstate.edu/Apply
- California State University site – Calstate.edu/eop
- Individual campus EOP department websites
Questions