EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

References:
Education Code Sections 69640-69656;
Title 5 Sections 56200 et seq.

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) is a program funded by the State and the District to provide special support services to students from low-income backgrounds and who have had a history of being educationally under-prepared.

The District’s EOPS program provides educational and financial support services to eligible students who have historically experienced economic and educational disadvantages. Eligible participants will receive additional support through orientation, counseling and advising, priority registration, book grants, tutoring, financial assistance, peer mentoring, emergency grants, child care services for eligible single-parent students, cultural and campus club activities, and other services designed to help them successfully complete their educational goals.

To be eligible, a student must:

- be a California resident
- be enrolled in a minimum of 12 units (or four units in any summer session), or have Disability Services and Programs for Students (DSPS) certification for a reduced unit load
- have completed fewer than 70 degree-applicable college units,
- qualify for the California College Promise Grant (A or B), and
- be educationally under-prepared as determined by the EOPS Director or designee. In making that determination, one or more of the following factors shall be considered:
  - not qualified at the college of attendance for enrollment into the minimum level English or mathematics course that is applicable to the associate degree
  - not have graduated from high school or obtained the General Education Diploma (GED)
  - graduated from high school with a grade point average below 2.50 on a 4.00 scale
  - have been previously enrolled in developmental education
In acceptance of these services, EOPS students must adhere to the requirements listed in the EOPS Mutual Responsibility Contract.

The EOPS Advisory Committee assists the College in developing and maintaining effective extended opportunity programs and services to eligible students. The EOPS Advisory Committee is state-mandated under Title 5, Chapter 2.5, Section 56208. Committee membership is comprised of faculty and staff, EOPS students, and representatives from local feeder high schools, the community and business sectors, and four-year colleges when possible. The EOPS Advisory Committee will meet a minimum of four times per academic year.

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services are detailed in the EOPS Program Plan available for review in the EOPS Office.

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