

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)

Program Benefits: The program offers low-income, first-generation (neither parent completed a college degree) college students with orientation to campus program and services, academic advising, tutoring, transition support, and grants (\$). The EOP department reviews applicants and collaborates with the admissions office to make decisions.

Application:

UC

No EOP application required. Your college application will be screened and used to determine eligibility for the EOP program on each UC campus.

CSU

- You must submit your undergraduate application to a campus via CSU Mentor before you can apply for the EOP program at that campus. There is no fee to apply to EOP.
- The EOP application supplement is also available on CSU Mentor and works like the undergraduate application; information you enter is stored electronically and populates subsequent applications you create to save you time.
- You must answer a few questions with 2 short essays. There is no word limit; be honest and explain both strengths and weaknesses; they are used to determine which EOP program services you might benefit from—not hurt your CSU application!
- Deadline for EOP application is April 1. But, apply early because they make decisions on a rolling basis!
- **Recommendation Letters:** 2 are required (from your teacher advisor or teacher). You enter the recommenders' contact information (name, school address, email address, and phone number) online in the application supplement. Then, the recommendation forms are sent to the student via email to forward to the teachers. Teachers should cut and paste letters written in a word processing program into the application.
- File the FAFSA.

For more information, go to www.csumentor.edu/planning/eop

CA Community College

- The application process varies by campus, so check online.
- For Foothill College:
 - Complete a Foothill College Online Application.
 - Submit a transcript for any college courses you may have already taken. Send transcripts to Foothill College Admissions and Records office, 12345 El Monte Road, Los Altos Hills CA 94022
 - Apply for Financial Aid by completing the FAFSA.
 - Register for your classes. EOPS students must be enrolled in classes prior to service. Full-time enrollment required, at least 12 units (6 for Summer Session).
 - Schedule an appointment with an EOPS counselor. To schedule an appointment or if you have questions please call **(650) 949-7207**.