How to Apply to EOP

Applicants must complete the EOP portion of the Cal State Apply application.

All EOP applicants must submit the application materials requested by the campus Admission and EOP Offices. Applicants must submit the materials requested by the Financial Aid Office if they wish to be considered for an EOP grant or other financial assistance. You are required to include your social security number on EOP forms by authority contained in Title V, California Code of Regulations, Section 41201.

**Admission Materials**
Apply for admission electronically at **Cal State Apply**:

1. Completed application for admission, including the EOP portion;
2. Pay the $55 CSU application fee, unless you are eligible for an application fee waiver;
3. Submit high school and/or college transcripts when notified by the campus; and
4. Submit SAT or ACT test score when notified by the campus.

**EOP Materials**
In addition to submitting an application according to the steps above, applicants must complete the EOP portion of the application, including:

1. Two recommendations
2. Five autobiographical questions

*The deadline to submit the EOP portion of your Cal State Apply application are as follows:*

- **Fall** - January 15
- **Spring** - August 31
EOP Application Worksheet

Are you interested in EOP?
*To be considered for EOP, you must complete the entire application and answer all questions. If a question does not apply to you please type "Does Not Apply" in the answer field.*

Previously Attended CSU

When you attended a CSU were you enrolled in an EOP program?
- Yes
- No
- Not Applicable

Do you wish to apply through the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)?
- Yes
- No

Have you participated in any of the following education program? Please check below: Optional
- AVID
- Upward Bound
- Talent Search or EOC
- Puente Project
- Independent Living Programs (ILP)
- Other

Where do you plan to live while attending college? (Select one):
- On-campus housing
- With parents
- Off-campus apartment or house
- Other

How many brothers and sisters are currently attending a K-12 school?
______________________________________________________________________

How many brothers and sisters are currently attending or attended college?
______________________________________________________________________
How many brothers and sisters received a bachelor’s degree?

What languages are spoken in your home? (60 character max)

During the past 10 years, have you or your family received any income from a public assistance program such as welfare, AFDC, TANF, Social Security, disability, etc.?

- Yes
- No

Have you or your family ever participated in any publicly funded programs such as subsidized housing, employment/training programs (i.e., CETA), school lunch programs, etc.?

- Yes
- No

Do you or any other children in your family work primarily to contribute to household expenses?

- Yes
- No

List name of your Parent/Guardian #1: ________________________________

What is your Parent/Guardian #1 highest level of formal education?

- No High School/Some high school
- High School Graduate
- Some college
- 2-year college graduate
- 4-year college graduate
- Postgraduate
- Does not apply

State Parent/Guardian #1 Occupation: ________________________________

State Parent/Guardian #1 Occupation 10 years ago: ____________________

List name of your Parent/Guardian #2: ________________________________
What is your parent/guardian #2 highest level of formal education?

- No High School / Some high school
- High School Graduate
- Some college
- 2-year college graduate
- 4-year college graduate
- Postgraduate
- Does not apply

State Parent/Guardian #2 Occupation: ________________________________

State Parent/Guardian #2 Occupation 10 years ago: ______________________

Financial Status

The following information is used to determine history of low-income eligibility for EOP: All applicants must complete this section and must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or if applicable the California Dream Act application. EOP may request other forms of documentation to verify self-reported income.

Parental income information is required for all students, including those who are considered independent for financial purposes. Incomplete applications may not be considered. Total Income = Adjusted Gross Income + Untaxed Income.

Parent/ Guardian #1 2018 Estimated/Actual income: ______________________

Parent/ Guardian #1 2017 Actual income: _____________________________

Parent/ Guardian #2 2018 Estimated/Actual income: Optional __________

Parent/ Guardian #2 2017 Actual income: Optional ______________________

Total size of parent(s)/guardian(s) household [including applicant, parent(s), dependent children and other dependent(s)]: ________________________________

Are you independent of parental support?

- Yes
- No
Make sure to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act application.

Answers to the following questions will help us determine your motivation and preparation to undertake college work. Please answer as precisely and honestly as possible. Use complete sentences and avoid responses such as "yes" or "no".

**Autobiographical Questions**

1. *Briefly describe your family’s economic background. Include information about your financial challenges.* (500 character max)

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2. *Why would you like to attend college? Discuss your career and personal goals. Are there any particular circumstances, school experiences, or persons that influenced your preparation or motivation to attend college (e.g., cultural/financial background, family, teachers, schools you attended)? Please explain.* (1000 character max)

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3. Briefly discuss your academic background. Did you utilize any additional support at your high school, such as tutoring? Do your grades in high school and/or college reflect your academic ability or potential? (1000 character max)

4. List any volunteer, extracurricular activities, or work experience in which you are or have been involved in the past two years. (500 character max)
5. Is there any additional information you would like EOP to consider in determining your admission to the program? (1000 character max)