WHAT IS EOPS?

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

EOPS is a student support program for educationally and economically disadvantaged students, funded by the State of California and Siskiyou Joint Community College District. It is designed to provide opportunities in higher education for students with academic potential who, without the EOPS assistance, may not have chosen a college education.

WHAT IS CARE?

COOPERATIVE AGENCIES RESOURCES FOR EDUCATION

CARE is a student support program to assist single parents on CalWORKs or TANF to become successful students and find meaningful employment.

EOPS SERVICES*

- **Academic Advising/Counseling:** Advisors and Counselors are available to assist and support EOPS students with academic and personal concerns while pursuing their academic goals.

- **Book Services:** EOPS provides book vouchers for required textbooks.

- **Semester Starter Kits:** EOPS provides paper, pens, pencils, and other school supplies to students in the program.

- **Transportation:** STAGE bus passes are available each semester.

- **Miscellaneous:** Commencement Fee for Graduation, CSU and UC Application Fee Waiver and PTK Membership Fee are covered.

*Amount of services depends on funding available

EOPS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be a California resident.
- You must be enrolled as a full-time student.
- You must not have completed more than 70-degree applicable units of college-level course work.
- You must qualify for the BOGG fee waiver (A or B, possibly C)
- You must be educationally disadvantaged:
  - ONE OF THE FOLLOWING MUST APPLY:
    - You do not qualify for college-level math, reading or writing courses.
    - You did not graduate from high school or obtain the G.E.D.
    - You graduated from high school with less than a 2.5 GPA
    - You were previously enrolled in remedial education courses.
HOW DO I APPLY FOR EOPS/CARE?

EOPS/CARE applications are available beginning the first day of registration for the following semester. Applications are only accepted for Fall and Spring semesters. Apply early because there is a limit to how many students EOPS can accept each semester.

APPLYING FOR EOPS:

Complete an EOPS application and submit to the EOPS/CARE Office in Eddy Hall. In addition to completing and submitting the EOPS application, you MUST complete the following steps:

- Take the assessment tests (COMPASS) for math, reading, and writing.
- Obtain transcripts of previous college(s). Submit a copy of these transcripts with the EOPS application.
- Register in 12 or more units.
- Apply and qualify for the Board of Governor’s Grant (BOGG) fee waiver.
- Complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Have a current Student Educational Plan (developed with a counselor).

Eligible program participants must attend an EOPS orientation and sign a Mutual Responsibility Contract before services can be received.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR CARE?

Complete a CARE application and submit to the EOPS/CARE Office in Eddy Hall.

Complete an Agency Certification form to verify CalWORKs or TANF eligibility.

Eligible program participants must attend a CARE orientation before services can be received.

CARE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Students must be eligible for and served by EOPS.
- Students must be at least 18 years old.
- Students must be current recipients of CalWORKs/TANF cash aid for themselves or dependent child(ren) as single head of household.
- Students must have at least one child under 14 years old.

CARE SERVICES

- Assistance with childcare costs while attending school or school related activities
- Textbooks to supplement the EOPS book voucher
- Course/major required materials.
- Gasoline vouchers
- Personal support and encouragement to succeed
- Workshops