



## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM (EOP) For Transfers



*"I crawl. I walk.  
I run. I climb.  
I reach for the  
stars and keep  
up a smile."*

### What is the Educational Opportunity Program?

The purpose of the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is to fulfill New York State's commitment to provide access to higher education for economically disadvantaged students who possess the potential to succeed in college, but whose academic preparation in high school has not fully prepared them to pursue college education successfully. The primary mission of EOP is to facilitate the recruitment, enrollment, retention, and graduation of these students. This is accomplished by providing EOP students with an array of educationally related support services and opportunities.

### How do I know if I am eligible for EOP as a transfer student?

You are eligible for EOP as a transfer student if you were enrolled in EOP, HEOP, College Discovery, SEEK or similar program at a participating SUNY, CUNY, or private institution located in the State of New York.

During the application review process, the Office of Admissions at SUNY Oswego will verify your eligibility with the previous college(s) you attended that are known to offer such programs.





## **What kind of financial support can I expect to receive?**

Although EOP students receive additional financial support toward meeting a small portion of their college expenses, **EOP is NOT a financial aid or scholarship program.**

To receive financial aid, EOP students are required to submit the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. Priority consideration for financial aid assistance at Oswego goes to students who complete the **FAFSA before March 1st.**

Financial aid is in the form of grants and loans and is the primary source of college expense funding (based on federal financial eligibility guidelines). **The Oswego FAFSA code is 002848.**

Financial aid questions should be directed to the Financial Aid Office by phone at 315.312.2248 or by email to [finaid@oswego.edu](mailto:finaid@oswego.edu).



*"Be a leader not a follower. If you must be a follower, follow your dreams, follow your goals, follow your heart."*

## How do I become eligible if I attend a non-participating college?

For-profit technical, trade or career institutions DO NOT offer EOP or similar type programs. The following SUNY institutions DO NOT offer EOP:

<b>Adirondack</b>	<b>Mohawk Valley</b>
<b>Cayuga</b>	<b>Nassau</b>
<b>Clinton</b>	<b>Niagara</b>
<b>Columbia-Greene</b>	<b>North Country</b>
<b>Corning</b>	<b>Orange</b>
<b>Herkimer</b>	<b>Rockland</b>
<b>Jamestown</b>	<b>Sullivan</b>
<b>Jefferson</b>	<b>Tompkins-Cortland</b>

If you are transferring from one of these institutions, in addition to an application and official college transcript(s), you must submit to the Office of Admissions:

### **Official High School transcript or GED scores:**

This information is required to determine if you would have met EOP or regular admissions standards at the college when you graduated from high school or completed your GED.

### **Dependent Students:**

Photocopies of your /your parent federal income tax return (1040) or other income documentation (i.e., Budget Letter from Social Services or Form 1099 from Social Security) for the year PRIOR to your initial enrollment in college must be submitted.<sup>1</sup>

or

### **Independent Students:**

Parent income is not required. Submit photocopies of your/your spouse's federal tax return (1040), or other income documentation (i.e., Budget Letter from Social Services or Form 1099 from Social Security for the year prior to your initial enrollment.<sup>2</sup>

**Notes:** <sup>1</sup> For example, if you first attended college in the fall of 2010, you would need to provide income documentation for the previous calendar year 2009.

<sup>2</sup> An "independent" student is one who was not supported by any parent at the time of their initial enrollment in college.



*"Your mind will always be your strongest weapon."*

# What support services can I expect to receive?

The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) at SUNY Oswego is structured to offer every student a range of exciting opportunities as well as all the assistance students may need in the pursuit of their academic goals.

EOP provides the tools for students to meet their academic potential including: tutoring, supplemental instruction, workshops, and access to campus resources.

## **Academic Planning Counseling Services**

Each EOP student is assigned to work with an Academic Planning Counselor. The APC assists in identifying academic needs and career choices, and in the necessary planning and engagement to accomplish their academic goals.



Thousands of students do it each year: Transfer with-in or to SUNY. Whether it is to further your studies, pursue a new major or prepare for a different career, transition from one college to another requires careful and thoughtful planning.

At SUNY you'll find campus support and system-wide planning guides, as well as people and programs focused on your transfer success. Begin planning your transfer to SUNY now!

## For additional information, write or call:

### **Office Of Admissions**

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of New York

# SUNY Oswego Fast Facts

**6,800** = full-time  
Undergraduates

**1,350** = full-time/part-time  
Graduates

**18 to 1** = student to  
faculty ratio

**24** = average class size

**12** co-ed residence halls and  
a townhouse community

**4,300** students live  
on-campus

**5** dining halls to choose from

**2** fitness centers with  
30 hours of group  
exercise classes per week

**Over 80** study abroad  
programs in over **17** countries

**Over 1,000** students  
participate in competitive  
internships and service  
learning opportunities  
all over the world

**Roughly 100** freshmen  
enroll in our college-wide  
Honors program each fall