Extended Opportunity Programs & Services (EOPS) is designed to assist eligible students in reaching their academic goals, whether they want to earn a certificate, an AA degree, or transfer to a four-year college or university. EOPS provides support services above and beyond what the college offers to students.

For more information, go to miracosta.edu/eops
WHAT SERVICES DO EOPS STUDENTS RECEIVE?

• Academic, career, and personal counseling
• Transfer/career assistance
• Transfer fee waivers
• Academic follow-up
• Progress reports
• Interest-free emergency loans
• $200 a semester in book assistance*
• Bus passes & emergency gas cards*
• Cultural and enrichment activities
• Workshops in personal development, study skills, job readiness training and majors
• Leadership development activities
• Child care assistance*
• Priority registration
• EOPS scholarships
• Textbook Loan Program
• Foster Youth Services

*If funds are available

HOW DO STUDENTS QUALIFY?

Students must:
• Be enrolled in 12 or more units at the time of acceptance to the program*
• Be eligible for BOGW ‘A’ or ‘B’
• Be a California resident or meet AB540/California Dream Act Requirements
• Be educationally disadvantaged as determined by regulations AND
• Have completed fewer than 70 degree-applicable units.

*Some exceptions are available for DSPS or special vocational programs.

WHAT IS ‘CARE’?

Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) is a program offered through EOPS. CARE provides single parents receiving CalWORKs/TANF with additional support and services to enable economic self-sufficiency and an opportunity to attend college.

Who is eligible for CARE?

To qualify for CARE, students must initially meet criteria for EOPS. Students must also:
• Be a current recipient of CalWORKs/TANF

OR
• Be the parent of a child receiving CalWORKs/TANF
AND
• Be at least 18 years of age
• Be single, head of household
• Have at least one child under 14 years of age.

To apply for EOPS/CARE

Complete and submit the following:
• EOPS/CARE application
• Board of Governor’s Waiver Application
• Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

HOW IS EDUCATIONAL DISADVANTAGE DETERMINED?

Students must:
• Be assessed at or below Math 30 or English 49, OR
• Have not graduated high school or obtained a GED, OR
• Have a high school GPA of less than 2.5, OR
• Be first in family to attend college, OR
• Speak a language other than English at home.

WHAT IS ‘AB 540’?

Assembly Bill 540 (AB 540) is a California state law that allows undocumented students who meet certain requirements to pay in-state tuition at any UC, CSU, or California community college. Students must meet these requirements:
• Attended a California high school for at least three full academic years.
• Graduated from a California high school or attained a G.E.D or received a passing mark on the California High School Proficiency Exam (CHSPE).
• Must register or is currently enrolled at an accredited institution of public higher education in California;
• File an AB 540 affidavit stating they have filed (or will file when eligible to do so) for legal immigration status.

Visit the Admissions Office located in building 3300 to determine if you are AB 540 eligible.

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

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