The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is committed to providing students with support services that assist them in achieving their personal and academic goals while they are in college and prepares them for success beyond their undergraduate degree.

Services include:
- General Education Academic Advising
- EOP Grant (if eligible, based on EFC and 12 units at SJSU each semester)
- Tutoring services
- Peer mentoring programs
- Referrals to campus support services
- Advocacy on your behalf
- Creation of educational plans appropriate to major or class standing
- Career exploration and counseling
- Global experiences

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Qualification Criteria**
- California Resident or AB540 Student
- History of low-income (determined by EFC on FAFSA or CA Dream Act application)
- First-generation in your family to go to college (parents cannot have earned a bachelor’s degree in any country)
- High school graduate or equivalent or transfer student
- Must meet regular SJSU admission requirements
- Must demonstrate academic potential and motivation to succeed
- Must demonstrate a need for academic support services

**Responsibilities**
- Maintain 12 units of full-time enrollment each term at SJSU in order to be eligible for the EOP grant
- Maintain good program standing in EOP each term based on completion of specific plan requirements
- Maintain current contact information on MySJSU and inform EOP & SJSU of any changes in a timely manner
- Meet with your EOP and major advisor regularly
- Utilize academic support services on campus
- Support and participate in EOP events and programs including: EOP First Contact, Fall Welcome, EOP Summer Bridge for frosh, EOP New Student or IC/IW Mentoring Program, and EOP Tutoring, as well as other community building events throughout the year

**DID YOU KNOW...**
Students have to apply for EOP at the same time they are applying for admission to the CSU.
APPLICATION PROCESS

**Fall Admission**

1. Apply to SJSU
   - Deadline: 8/31

2. Apply to EOP
   - Deadline: 1/15

3. Submit EOP recommendation forms
   AND
   FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application
   - Deadline: 1/31

4. Sign-up & Complete ELM/EPT
   (frosh only, date TBD)

5. Submit intent to enroll
   - Deadline: 5/1

**Spring Admission**

- Apply to SJSU
  - Deadline: 1/15

- *Apply to EOP*

- Submit EOP recommendation forms
  AND
  FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application
  - Deadline: 9/31

- Sign-up & Complete ELM/EPT
  (frosh only, date TBD)

- Submit intent to enroll
  - (date TBD)

*Check with SJSU EOP Office if Spring Applications are being accepted.

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**Spring 2017 SJSU EOP Statistics**

Grade Point Average: 3.02

Enrollment Status:

- 17% (Part-time)
- 83% (Full-time)

Gender Ratio:

- 36% Male
- 64% Female
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What forms do I need to apply for EOP?
A: Complete the entire EOP Applicant Information Form, two Recommendation Forms completed by two separate individuals, and the FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application, by the appropriate deadline.

Q: How do I check the status of my EOP Admission?
A: For questions regarding the status of your EOP application, please contact our office at eop@sjsu.edu. Acceptance into SJSU does not guarantee entry into EOP.

Q: Why would a student who is currently earning good grades benefit from EOP?
A: All students need supportive communities to be successful. EOP has a group of trained professionals that can help foresee and address challenges that students may encounter, regardless of grades/GPA.

Q: When do I apply for EOP?
A: You will submit your EOP application when you submit your Cal State Apply application to the university. Acceptance into EOP can only be determined at the time of your SJSU admission.

Q: Do students in community college EOP&S programs automatically qualify for EOP at SJSU?
A: No. EOP and EOP&S are two different programs. EOP&S students must submit an EOP application and follow the same procedure as all other applicants. However, special consideration will be given to EOP&S students in an effort to enhance the transfer and graduation rates of these students.

Q: How can I verify that my recommenders have submitted the two required recommendation forms?
A: Encourage your recommender to submit your recommendation through Cal State Apply. If they submit it electronically through Cal State Apply you can see when it has been submitted and if you notice it has not been submitted, you can follow up with them to remind them to submit it by the deadline. Paper recommendations can be lost in the mail or cause your application to be delayed in processing. It is highly recommended that recommendations be submitted online via Cal State Apply.
**PROGRAMS**

**First Contact**

At First Contact, you will have the opportunity to meet the EOP Staff and learn about EOP services, policies, procedures, and program expectations. This program is required for all incoming students. Students will receive event and registration information after their acceptance to EOP.

**Summer Bridge**

EOP strives to help students be successful. It is of the utmost importance to start your undergraduate studies on a firm foundation. Summer Bridge is a residential five-week on campus program at SJSU that will help students get a jump start on their college experience and education at SJSU. Personal expenses and travel costs to San Jose are the responsibility of the student.

Selection for this academic opportunity is considered a privilege and is based on academic need, ELM/EPT scores, educational, and personal background.


**Academic Coaching for Educational Success (ACES)**

The Academic Coaching for Educational Success (ACES) Program is designed to assist students whose GPAs are between a 2.000 and a 2.199 to develop the skills and tools necessary to improve upon their academic performance. Students are paired with a trained coach who helps them identify areas of growth. Together, they create an action plan to improve upon areas of struggle.

**Tutoring**

The EOP Tutoring Program offers tutoring in a wide variety of subjects and is open to all EOP students. EOP students are provided assistance in areas such as: content clarification, problem solving, study skills development, writing assistance, exam preparation, and test-taking strategies.

**First Year Mentoring**

The EOP New Student Mentor program is a First-Year Experience program that focuses on supporting and assisting new students with the transition process, acclimating to SJSU, and connecting them to resources and the EOP community. The New Student Mentor program pairs trained peer mentors (upper-class students) with incoming new students. This program will empower you to strive for academic excellence by surrounding you with a community of support and connection.


**I Can/I Will**

The I Can/I Will mentor program is designed specifically for African American and Latino males. The I Can/I Will mentor program pairs trained peer mentors (upper-class students) with incoming students. The program focuses on supporting/assisting participants with the transition process, acclimating them to SJSU, developing a support network, connecting them to resources, and the EOP community.


**DID YOU KNOW...**

Every year, EOP at SJSU serves over 2,000 students.