

# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY *PROGRAM*







## EOP GUIDELINES

*To be eligible, students must be:*

- A New York state resident for at least 12 months prior to enrollment.
- In need of financial assistance within established income guidelines set by the State University of New York.
- Ineligible for admission under traditional standards, but demonstrate potential for succeeding at SUNY Cortland.

→ Students can learn more about required documents and income guidelines at [suny.edu](http://suny.edu).

## TRANSFER ADMISSIONS

Transfer students are eligible for EOP if they were enrolled in EOP or a similar program at their previous institution.

The EOP Verification Form must be completed by the campus director of their first college and transcripts submitted from all colleges attended.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

EOP offers college access, financial support and research-proven academic help to students who show strong potential but might otherwise be excluded from higher education due to academic under-preparation and economic disadvantage. Applicants must meet guidelines related to academics and household income.

### SUMMER INSTITUTE

A 4 ½-week summer program takes place prior to the first year on campus. It involves full days of college prep courses in math, writing, COR 101 and the interdisciplinary journey of the value of education. Tutoring, study hours and weekend events also take place. Test results show improvements as much as 2,000% on math exams and 50% on English exams.

### SUPPORT FROM THE START

Scholars earn unlimited tutoring and community building guidance throughout their experience, with a dedicated staff of two full-time academic counselors, administrative assistant and a program director.

Students receive financial assistance that supplements financial aid, which helps manage the cost of books, campus housing and other expenses.

*By the numbers*

**35**

**first-year students join EOP each year in addition to 10 transfer students**

→ Approximately 90% come from underrepresented groups

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