

# EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND (EOF)

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The Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) is a state funded program designed to assist low-income New Jersey residents who are capable and motivated but lack adequate preparation for college study. EOF supports a wide array of campus-based outreach and support services at 28 public and many private colleges and universities in New Jersey. Ocean County College is one of 19 participating community colleges.

**EOF Mission:** To provide access to higher education

Students are evaluated for admittance based upon academic readiness, potential, motivation and a history of poverty; an interview is required. We offer interviews in-person or through WebEx. Students must register full time (12 credits or more) and also complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Use your **EOF@OCEAN** experience as an opportunity to **step out of your comfort zone**, to **explore**, to **reach** and to **become all that you dream**.

We don't create the dream, but we will help you work toward it! We are advocates, cheerleaders, and guides.

**EOF@OCEAN offers:**

- **A Community** of like scholars
- **SUMMER@EOF** programming for new and returning students for success and retention
- **Academic Coaching** to help you achieve the highest levels
- **Seminars/Workshops/Activities** to enrich your experience
- **Advising** to provide individualized academic and personal support
- **Opportunities for Growth and Leadership** to develop skills to direct and guide
- **Financial Aid** for summer sessions
- **Continued EOF Eligibility** at senior/transfer institutions

## Is EOF a Good fit for you? Are you unsure about eligibility? \*

- Are you the first in your family to attend college?
- Do you or your family have a low annual income?
- Do you or your family participate in a government assistance program?
- Will you register for 12 or more credits?
- Do test results indicate a need for ENGL 151/098, or MATH 023?
- Are you eligible for PELL, TAG, or CCOG grants?

\* Yes answers do not guarantee acceptance

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All are welcome to apply, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression. EOF enrollment is determined by state funding, apply early.