

Educational

Opportunity

Centers

The mission of the Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC) Program is to provide services for adults desiring to pursue education beyond high school. The center's goal is to increase the number of adults enrolling in postsecondary education.

EOC accomplishes its mission through the staff and the vision that educational access is also for first-generation, limited income, under-employed, veterans or persons with disabilities. Staff are dedicated to the academic, cultural and economic development of adult learners.

EOC prepares adults for postsecondary education by helping them to acquire the skills needed for college success. Services and activities enhance participants' understanding of the connection between education and careers. Services include submission of college and financial aid applications, college selection, upgrading computer skills, career assessment, and improving financial literacy.

Central to the success of the program are the development of individual education action plans. Participants are assessed to identify barriers to education including academic, financial and personal constraints. The program affords adults the opportunity to interact with a highly trained staff who understand the needs of adults entering or reentering postsecondary education.



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2015-2016 Highlights

Participants provided counseling, and access to academic success software

Students recieved \$768,315 in federal financial aid

Students recieved \$294,315 in Pell Grants

148 college applications submitted to postsecondary institutions

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