

Educational Opportunity Centers Program



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2017-2018 Highlights

- Provided services to 1,000 adult learners
- Provided free access to Student Lingo (online academic success software)
- Created Education Action Plans for adult learners

The Educational Opportunity Centers Program (EOC), hosted by Wichita State, serves low-income and potential first-generation college students and other eligible adults living in the Wichita metropolitan area. The target area has a high concentration of low-income and non-baccalaureate degreed people. Specific areas to be served are the city of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

The mission of EOC is to provide services for adults desiring to pursue their education beyond high school. The program's goal is to increase the number of adults in the target area who enroll in colleges and universities. EOC seeks to inform the community about educational opportunities that fosters the ability of adults to enter the workforce as educated personnel.

EOC pursues its mission by utilizing a professional staff who are committed to the idea of educational access for persons who are first generation, limited income, under employed, veterans and/or disabled. In an effort to connect adults to education, the staff conducts outreach at DCF, Atwater, Evergreen, and Colvin neighborhood centers.

EOC is located at the WSU Hughes Metropolitan Complex with administrative offices at Brennan Hall. Staff work cooperatively with the Kansas Board of Regents Get AHEAD Campaign, the United Way of The Plains Emergency Assistance Network, and the statewide 2-1-1 Information and Referral System.

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