



Los Medanos College

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS & SERVICES (**EOPS**)

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EOPS IS A **STATE-FUNDED STUDENT SERVICE PROGRAM** THAT PROMOTES ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AMONG STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME, UNDER-REPRESENTED BACKGROUNDS IN HIGHER EDUCATION.

EOPS PROMOTES EXCELLENCE BY OFFERING SERVICES THAT ARE “ABOVE, BEYOND AND IN ADDITION TO” SERVICES AVAILABLE TO ALL **LMC** STUDENTS.

EOPS Support Services



TO QUALIFY FOR EOPS, STUDENT MUST:

- ▶ Be a California resident
- ▶ Be enrolled full-time at LMC (12 units) – Students in DSPS may qualify for a reduced unit load.
- ▶ California College Promise Grant A or B (Formerly known as BOG Fee Waiver)
- ▶ Have less than 70 degree-applicable units
- ▶ Have a demonstrated educational disadvantage (for example, if neither parent earned a 4-year college degree).

CARE



- ▶ CARE is a state funded program that was established in 1982.
- ▶ CARE is as a supplemental component of EOPS.
- ▶ A unique educational program geared toward the welfare recipient.
- ▶ CARE provides educational support services designed for the academically underprepared, low income, single parent population.

Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) program Eligibility

- ▶ California residents who meet all EOPS eligibility requirements as per Title 5 regulations
- ▶ At least 18 years of age
- ▶ Single heads of household (i.e., one-parent CalWORKs assistance unit as verified by county)
- ▶ Have one child under 18 years of age at the time of acceptance into CARE
- ▶ Current recipients of TANF/CalWORKs cash aid for themselves or their child(ren)

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