

Academic Year: 2015-2016 **Name of Program:** EOPS

Date of last review: 2013-2014

Recommendation:

Continue to focus on strategies for improving student success, and student achievement of educational goals, i.e. transfer and graduation and/or other ed plan goals.

Progress:

EOPS provides “over and above” support services to low-income first generation students. All EOPS students participate in orientation, abbreviated and comprehensive educational planning, priority registration, transfer planning, funding for textbooks, academic progress monitoring, university visits and leadership opportunities through the EOPS Club. Students on academic probation are required to attend a workshop to assist them with resources and information on how to improve their status. In 2013-14, EOPS served 418 students, including 28 foster youth. In 2014-15, 424 students were served, including 42 foster youth and for 2015-16, we plan to serve 500 students and increase the number of foster youth to 60 with the assistance of a new part-time EOPS/Foster Youth Counselor.

The graduation and transfer rates for EOPS students were as follows: 2013/14, 64 students graduated and 15 transferred. In 2014/15, 68 graduated 18 transferred.

Recommendation:

Work with MIS and the Office of Institutional Research to collect data related to new regulations.

Progress:

EOPS is fully integrated with SSSP regulations to collect the data required for the college to receive funding. As the data collection from SSSP is still being tabulated, the college has not completed the final results regarding orientation, ed plans, and follow-up services. However, the EOPS Counselor provides all of these services. Regarding Student Equity, EOPS and other categorical programs provided 32 workshops with 275 students attending in 2014-2015. EOPS provided two orientations and completed comprehensive education plans for 98% of 424 EOPS students. The Foster Youth Committee made up of representatives from A/R, Financial Aid and EOPS met to discuss definitions of foster youth and services for which they qualify. An MOU was created with Silicon Valley

Children's Fund to provide coaching services for foster youth once a week on campus. A total of 89 students from the categorical programs attended five campus visits and reported on a survey that the visits were helpful in learning about transfer options. In 2015/16 we plan to expand to 6 university visits.

Recommendation:

Continue to provide EOPS representation on SSSP and student equity committees.

Progress:

EOPS/CalWORKs Associate Dean co-led and co-wrote Student Equity Plan for 2014-2015. She continues to be an active member of the Student Equity Committee and the SSSP Committee. EOPS serves the most disadvantaged equity populations who underperform in terms of success indicators according to the CCCCO data mart; Hispanic, low-income, and foster youth students. In 2014-15, EOPS received Student Equity funding for transportation, books, summer counseling, and buses for university visits. For 2015-2016, Student Equity is currently funding a part-time foster youth counselor.

Recommendation:

Address security concerns by installing alarm system or other security enhancements

Progress:

Security concerns have been addressed by changing the locks in the entire Library and adding safes. No further security issues have occurred.

Recommendation:

Continue to plan for increased enrollment to ensure that EOPS is ready when the funding is in place, including adding a part-time counselor to serve the off-sites.

Progress:

EOPS funding has been restored in 2015-2016. We are expanding to serve 500 students, provide a \$300 book voucher, a \$200 grant for students in good standing and a \$25 voucher for student supplies. A part-time EOPS/Foster Youth Counselor was hired in August 2015 to serve foster youth and additional EOPS students. In fall 2015 the EOPS/Foster Youth Counselor provided outreach to 128 foster youth who self-identified on the CCC apply ARGOS report. We offered EOPS Counseling in Hollister in the summer of 2015 which was very successful. EOPS and CalWORKs Counselors served 107 students according to the SARS report demonstrating the need for counseling. EOPS has applied for a second full-time EOPS Counselor through Student Equity to increase services to 200 low-income students and to provide regular counseling services in Hollister and Morgan Hill.

Recommendation:

Collaborate with mental health services task force to establish program for mental health counseling services

Progress:

The EOPS/CalWORKs Associate Dean continues to participate on the Mental Health Committee. The College purchased Maxient to quantify incidents on campus. The program will be developed over 2015-2016 in anticipation that the college may provide mental health counseling in the future. Staff participated in a Trauma workshop in spring 2014. The presenter will offer a workshop in spring 2016 staff development day. Staff will participate in Active Shooter training on October 23, 2015. Health Services continues to provide Kognito online training for staff and students and the Student Health 101 magazine.