

# Supporting Students through the Educational Opportunity Program

Fall 2018 High School Counselor Conference



# Introduction

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# What is EOP?

- Established in 1969 under Senate Bill 1072 (Harmer Bill)
- Targets students who have the potential to perform satisfactorily in the CSU but have not been able to realize this potential because of economic or educational background
- Provides admission, academic, and financial assistance to accommodate the needs of the individual campus student population
- Provides academic support and retention services to first-generation, historically low income and educationally disadvantaged students
- Tailors its programs to accommodate the needs of the individual campus student population

# EOP Programs at All CSU Campuses



# Resources Available to EOP Students

\*Each campus portfolio of programs and services may differ.



# EOP Student Resources

- Orientation
- Summer Bridge
- Academic Advisement
- Financial Assistance
- Internships & Job Opportunities
- Student Associations & Student Leadership Conferences
- Graduation Celebrations

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# Who May Apply?



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- Historically low-income and educationally disadvantaged undergraduate students who need admission assistance and support services to succeed in college
- Students who demonstrate academic potential and motivation
- California residents and students who qualify for AB 540 nonresident tuition exemption





# 2019-2020 EOP Income Criteria

## DEPENDENT STUDENT WORKBOOK

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### EOP Income Screening Criteria

<u>Dependent Students</u>	<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Maximum Income</u>
	2	\$37,100
	3	\$41,800
	4	\$48,500
	5	\$55,000
	6	\$62,200
	7	\$67,700
	8	\$73,100

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Single, No Dependents	1	\$16,100
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## INDEPENDENT STUDENT WORKBOOK

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<u>With Dependents Other Than a Spouse</u>	<u>Family Size</u>	<u>Maximum Income</u>
	2	\$48,000
	3	\$55,200
	4	\$65,200
	5	\$74,700
	6	\$85,300
	7	\$93,400
	8	\$101,500

# Applying to EOP



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- High School Graduate or Equivalent
- Meet CSU Eligibility for Regular Admission
- EOP considers admission for students who may not meet regular admission criteria on a campus by campus basis



# Applying to EOP

Cal State Apply and EOP are one Application

- Create an account for Cal State Apply
- Complete your profile
- Select your programs (majors)
- Complete the third quadrant of the application – **Select “Yes” on the *Interested in EOP* question**
  - The EOP application is integrated in the *Supporting Information* quadrant



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## Cal State Apply 3<sup>rd</sup> Quadrant – Supporting Information

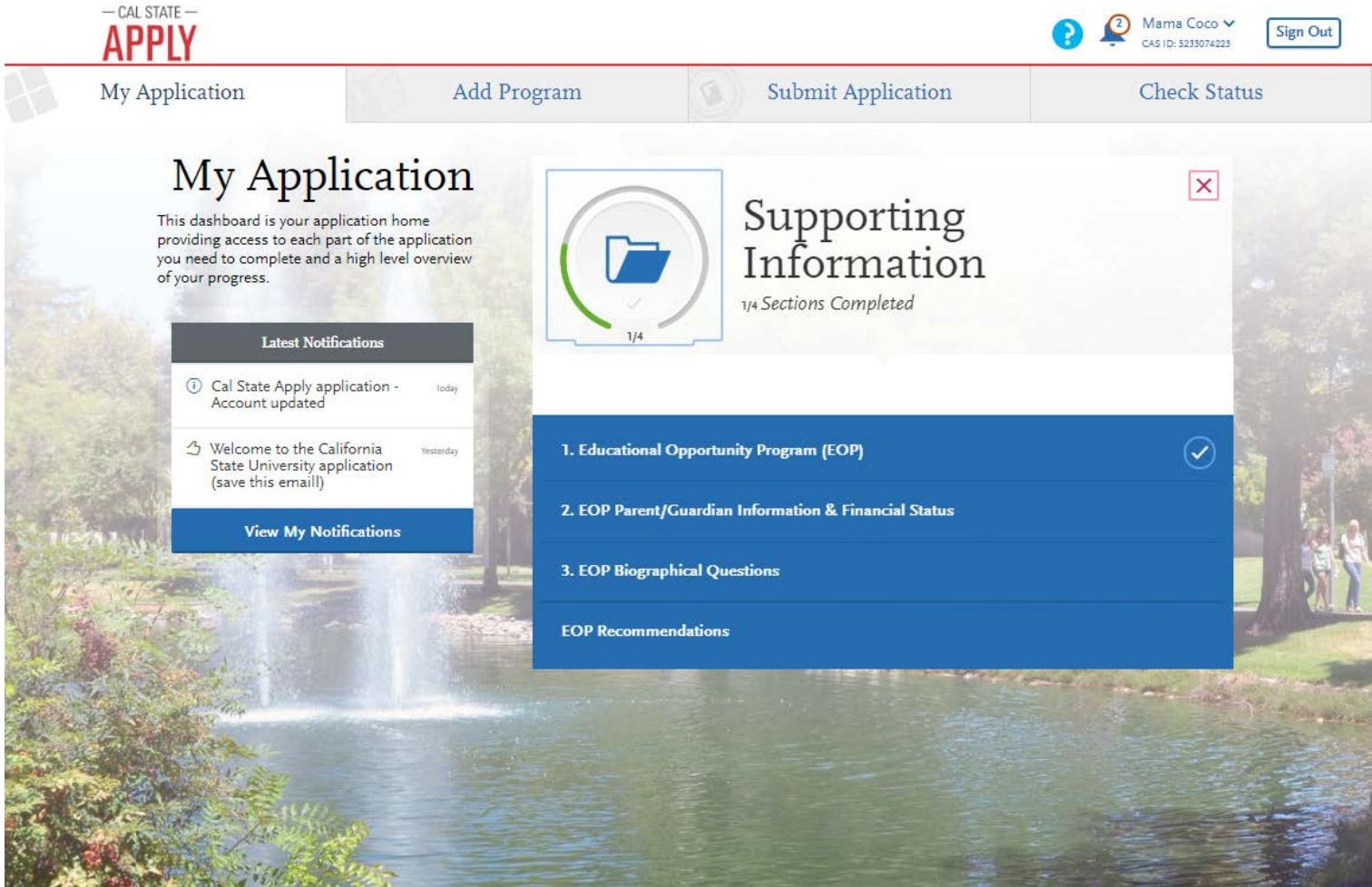
The screenshot shows the Cal State Apply dashboard for user 'Mama Coco' (CAS ID: 5233074223). The dashboard is titled 'My Application' and includes a navigation bar with 'My Application', 'Add Program', 'Submit Application', and 'Check Status'. The main content area is divided into four sections, each with a progress indicator:

- Personal Information:** 0/8 Sections Completed
- Academic History:** 0/7 Sections Completed
- Supporting Information:** 1/4 Sections Completed
- Program Materials:** 0/1 Sections Completed

A 'Latest Notifications' box on the left contains two messages: 'Cal State Apply application - Account updated' (today) and 'Welcome to the California State University application (save this email)' (yesterday). A blue button labeled 'View My Notifications' is below the notifications. A blue callout box with a white border points to the 'Supporting Information' tile, containing the text: 'EOP Tiles now in Supporting Information'.

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# Applying to EOP

## EOP Recommendations

New Recommendation Portal

Email address is used to match recommendations

**Recommender's Information**

\* First Name

\* Last Name

\* Email Address

**About the Applicant**

\* What qualities best describe this applicant?

1/2500

Character count and Copy & Paste now available

**LETTERS**  
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### Welcome

Log in to view a list of all your recommendation requests:

\* Email/Username

\* Password

**Log In**

[Forgot your Password?](#) [Need Help?](#)

OR

**Create an account:**  
If this is your first time using this service, please create an account to access your recommendation requests

**Create Account**

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## Cal State Apply Updates

- Applicants can return to complete the EOP portion of the application until January 15th
  - Exception: Chico, Fresno, Los Angeles, Sacramento and San Bernardino will close on November 30th



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## Fall 2019 EOP Admission Status

- All campuses are accepting EOP applications
- For updated EOP admission status, visit the following link  
<https://www2.calstate.edu/attend/student-services/eop/Pages/eop-campus-status.aspx>



# Biographical Questions & Recommendations

What Students and Counselors  
Should Know



# Biographical Questions

## Tips for Assisting Students

- Avoid very brief answers
- Discuss achievements and hardships
- Do not use placeholder characters to save  
Tile
  - Students forget to return and complete
  - Character Count (2500) and Copy & Paste are now available



# Recommendations

## Tips for Recommenders

- Responses can only help students
- Honest assessment about skills and capabilities
- Avoid very brief answers
- Check deadlines for each campus
  - Documents deadline is January 31, 2019
    - Exception: Fresno – December 14, 2018,  
Los Angeles – January 15, 2019  
San Bernardino – December 7, 2018



# Additional Information

- Cal State Apply site – [Calstate.edu/Apply](https://calstate.edu/apply)
- California State University site – [Calstate.edu/eop](https://calstate.edu/eop)
- Individual campus EOP department websites



# Questions





