

June 22, 2009

Dear EOPS student,

I hope you and your family are doing well this summer. As many of you already know, our community college and categorical funding was reduced for the 2009-2010 year. This letter informs you on the EOPS student services cuts. We will keep you posted if further cuts are imposed. The EOPS staff thanks you for sending the letters of support to the state. Our program still exists because your support made a difference.

Nevertheless, the EOPS budget was impacted and due to fiscal changes EOPS must streamline some student services. Please read below to inform yourself:

EOPS Electronic Communication

- In an effort to cut postage cost, all EOPS students will receive only one letter per semester informing them on: program requirements, a program event timeline and information on how to access our website.
- The Fall 2009 letter will be mailed out in September, from thereon all program communication will be conducted via e-mail, listserv, phone and website only. Make it a point to know your specialist e-mail address.
- It is the student's responsibility to keep updated on the program by visiting the EOPS website at eops.fullcoll.edu.
- EOPS updates will be e-mailed on a regular basis and posted on the website by the second Monday of each month. Regularly, visit the website and click on "student updates" this will link you to any events, services, deadlines, probation lists, 70 unit six semester list, conferences, grants, drops etc.
- Because our communication will rely on electronic communication, please make sure all phone, e-mail and addresses are updated via admissions and records before the end of August.

EOPS Counseling

- Remember to book your appointment as early as August this will ensure fulfillment of EOPS requirements.
- Avoid being left out due to end of semester appointment bottleneck effect.
- EOPS will not offer any extra end of the semester counseling. Do not rely on fulfilling your appointments during the last month of the semester.
- EOPS will only have one evening of counseling per month.
- Saturday counseling is no longer available.

EOPS Book Award

All EOPS book awards were cut by \$20 each and The EOPS book award process has changed. Please see the attached letter for further explanation.

I realize that electronic communication can be overwhelming and some of us may not be technologically savvy therefore, a workshop on how to manage e-mail, and navigate the college's websites will be offered in September. Please either check the website for the upcoming workshops dates and times or call the EOPS office at (714) 992-7097. Once again, I thank you for your support and we hope that you have a successful semester. Your success is our success.

Sincerely,

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