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Overview
What is Oregon Promise?

Oregon Promise is a state grant that helps cover tuition at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates and GED recipients.
Who is eligible?

- Be a recent Oregon high school graduate or GED recipient
- Have 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher
- Must not have more than 90 college credits completed or attempted
- Be an Oregon resident at least 12 months prior to attendance
- Plan to attend an Oregon community college within 6 months of graduation
- Starting in 2017-2018, your eligibility may be determined by your Expected Family Contribution (EFC). The EFC criteria is subject to change.
How do I apply?

**1) FAFSA or ORSAA**
- File a **FAFSA** at fafsa.gov or, for DACA and other undocumented students, an **ORSAA** at OregonStudentAid.gov.
- List at least one Oregon community college on your FAFSA or ORSAA

**2)**

Complete an **Oregon Promise Grant Application** by the appropriate deadline. To apply, log in to the “Student Portal” at OregonStudentAid.gov.

2 options:
- Provide a transcript with senior grades; or
- Ask the high school registrar to verify GPA online
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* Graduating between Oct. 1 – Nov. 30
Apply for either Winter or Spring Term.
How much money will I receive?
1. **Tuition Cost:** Community college tuition cost varies from school to school. Oregon Promise covers up to the *average* cost of tuition. Tuition at some colleges may be higher or lower than the average.

2. **Federal Pell Grant & Oregon Opportunity Grant:** Oregon Promise covers remaining tuition amount (up to 12 credits) after any Federal Pell Grant and Oregon Opportunity Grant funds have been applied.

3. **Number of Credits Taken:** Oregon Promise covers up to 12 credits per term. The student is financially responsible for any credits over 12. If a student takes 6-11 credits, they will receive a lower award amount.

4. **Co-Pay:** A $50 co-pay is automatically deducted from the Oregon Promise award each term.
Federal Pell Grant & Oregon Opportunity Grant

Student A: Lower Expected Family Contribution
- PELL GRANT (FEDERAL)
- OREGON OPPORTUNITY GRANT (STATE)
- OREGON PROMISE (STATE) $1,000 minimum

Student B: Moderate Expected Family Contribution
- PELL GRANT (FEDERAL)
- OREGON PROMISE GRANT (STATE)

Student C: Higher Expected Family Contribution
- OREGON PROMISE GRANT (STATE)

$3,540: Average cost for 3 terms @ 12 credits (2017-18)
Maintain Eligibility & Renew Grant
How to Maintain Eligibility & Receive Funds During the Award Year

1. Maintain **Satisfactory Academic Progress**, determined by the community college.

2. Complete all requirements and requests from community college (FAFSA verification, etc.) in a timely manner.

3. All students must attend and receive the grant during **FALL** term each year (unless they start in Winter/Spring cohort).
How to Renew the Grant

File the FAFSA/ORSAA by **June 1**

If selected for FAFSA verification, you must complete this process with your college financial aid office.
Renewal Eligibility

1. Complete the **First-Year Experience** during the first three terms of receiving Oregon Promise.

2. Maintain **Satisfactory Academic Progress**.

3. Maintain at least half-time **continuous enrollment** (6 or more credits) during fall, winter and spring terms each year.

4. Once you have **attempted 90 credits**, you will no longer be eligible for the grant.

5. **Complete any other requirements or requests from your community college in a timely manner.**
When will I know if I’m receiving Oregon Promise for next year?

OSAC will start awarding renewal students in June 2018.

Keep your email address updated in the OSAC Student Portal – check your email for an award notification.
Recent Changes
In July 2017, the Oregon legislature gave authority to the HECC to control costs for Oregon Promise, when necessary.

For 2017-19, the legislature instructed the HECC to immediately establish eligibility criteria based on: Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
How did the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) limit impact students in 2017-18?

The EFC limit for new 2017-18 applicants is $20,000*. With this EFC limit, OSAC was able to award approximately 4 out of 5 eligible new applicants in Fall 2017.

*Updated in Dec. 2017
What is the EFC limit for 2018-19?

The HECC re-evaluates the **EFC limit** each year. The HECC may decide to adjust or eliminate the EFC limit in future years, if sufficient funds are available.

**2018-19**: There will be *no EFC limit* during the 2018-19 academic year. All eligible Oregon Promise applicants who will start community college in 2018-19 will be awarded the grant.
What does this mean for students who were subject to the EFC limit in 2017-18?

Some previously ineligible students will be awarded the Oregon Promise Grant starting in Fall 2018-19. Students must meet all criteria:

• *Completed all Oregon Promise application requirements by original program deadlines*
• *Attempted at least 6 credits at an Oregon community college in fall, winter, and spring of 2017-18*
• *Filed or will file the 2018-19 FAFSA or ORSAA by June 1, 2018*
• *Have fewer than 90 total college credits attempted before the start of Fall 2018*

OSAC will email these students by early May, with details and awarding criteria for next year.
Dual Enrollment
What should I know if I’m dual enrolled?

Complete your school’s dual enrollment process and list the community college as your **home college**.

Oregon Promise only pays for credits you take at the community college.
What should I know if I’m dual enrolled?

You must take **at least 6 credits** per term at the community college, to receive Oregon Promise.

However, credits taken at **both** colleges count toward the **90 credit limit** for Oregon Promise.
Visit the Oregon Promise FAQ Page

Information for Current Recipients

- For current Oregon Promise recipients, what is the award renewal process?
- How do current recipients remain eligible for Oregon Promise?
- When do I need to complete First-Year Experience?
- What if I transfer to a different community college?
- Can part-time college students participate in Oregon Promise?
- Are students who are dual-enrolled in a community college and a four-year university eligible for the Oregon Promise?

Yes. The community college must be listed as the student’s home college for financial aid purposes, and the student must take at least 6 credits at the community college each term. Oregon Promise will only cover tuition for credits taken at the community college. However, credits completed at both colleges will count toward the 90 credit limit allowed by Oregon Promise.

- Does Oregon Promise pay for summer classes?
Watch the 90 Credit Limit Video

Example

2 Credits  10 Credits

University  Community College

Oregon Promise: Explaining the 90 Credit Limit
910 views
Resources
How much Oregon Promise money will I receive?

983 views
Toolkit for Current College Recipients

Year-Round Posts

Financial Aid Letter

Each student’s Oregon Promise award is unique. Curious about how your award is calculated? Watch this video to learn more:


First-Year Experience helps you become a successful college student.

- You must complete FYE during your first three terms of Oregon Promise.
- Contact your college Financial Aid office to learn more.

You have three terms to complete the First-Year Experience requirement for Oregon Promise! Check in with your college Financial Aid office to learn more. Brush up on how to stay on track for Oregon Promise:


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Oregon Promise Listserv

Receive key updates related to Oregon Promise.

Sign up at:
http://listsmeat.osl.state.or.us/mailman/listinfo/oregonpromise

Or contact Amy to sign up!
Two-tier award amounts for 2018-19:
  – $2,600 @ 2-year
  – $3,200 @ 4-year

Currently, OSAC has made awards up to 3500 EFC for next year, for students who filed their FAFSA/ORSA by mid-March. Awarding will continue throughout the coming months, until funds are exhausted.
Oregon Opportunity Grant

What is the Oregon Opportunity Grant (OOG)?

356 views
Questions?

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