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Office of Student Access and Completion
Helping Oregon Students Plan and Pay for College

NEED SUPPORT



- 1. OregonPromise.org**
- 2. Check “Frequently Asked Questions” on OregonPromise.org**
- 3. Call the Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC): 541.687.7400**

What Is The Oregon Promise



Oregon Promise is a state grant that covers most tuition at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates and GED recipients.

What Is The Oregon Promise



This new program is already helping thousands attend community college, and- *provided the Oregon Legislature continues its funding in 2017-* the grant will be available to Oregon students this fall.

Who Can Apply



Be a recent Oregon high school graduate or GED recipient



Be an Oregon resident at least 12 months prior to attendance



Have 2.5 cumulative GPA or higher



Plan to attend an Oregon community college within 6 months of graduation



Must not have more than 90 college credits completed or attempted

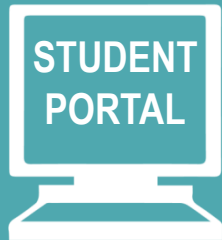
Remember: Funding is subject to legislative approval.



How Do I Apply

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



Complete an Oregon Promise Grant Application by the appropriate deadline. For details and link to the application, go to the “Student Portal” at OregonStudentAid.gov.



Enroll in eligible courses at an Oregon community college. Oregon Promise covers up to 12 credits per term.

When Do I Apply



Term you plan to start at an Oregon community college	SPRING 2017 Begins April 3, 2017	FALL 2017 Funding subject to legislative approval
Must graduate high school between the following dates	October 1, 2016 to March 1, 2017	March 1, 2017 to August 1, 2017
Deadline for Application	March 6, 2017	April 1: For early notification* July 1, 2017: Final
Deadline to verify your GPA**	March 6, 2017	July 1, 2017
Deadline for FAFSA or ORSAA	March 13, 2017 File the 2016-17 FAFSA/ORSAA	September 5, 2017 File the 2017-18 FAFSA/ORSAA

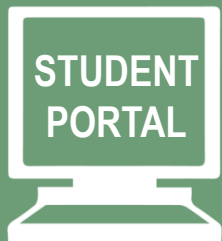
*Students who submit their application by April 1 will be notified of Oregon Promise award by May 1

** Verify GPA through section 5 of the Oregon Promise application

How Will I be Notified If I'm Awarded ?



OSAC will notify students of their award via email.






Students can check their award status in the “Student Portal” at OregonStudentAid.gov





- OSAC notifies community college via weekly award lists.
- Community college will include award in students' financial aid award letters.

Students who submit a valid application and FAFSA by April 1 will be notified of their Oregon Promise award by May 1.

Other Requirements

1. Some students may be selected to verify information on their FAFSA. If a student has been selected for verification and they have questions they should contact their college's financial aid office. 
2. Accept all state and federal grant aid offered through the community college and financial aid office. 
3. Complete First-year Experience as directed by the community college. First-year Experience will vary depending on the college. If students have questions they should contact their college financial aid office. 

Other Requirements

4. Maintain at least half-time continuous enrollment (i.e. 6 or more credits) during fall, winter and spring terms. Oregon Promise does not include summer term. 
5. Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress, determined by the student's community college. 

Estimated Grant Amounts for Full-Time Students

Awards range from **\$1,000** to **\$3,397*** per year. Award amounts will vary each year and are subject to legislative approval.

*Based on 2016-2017 Oregon community college averages.

CONSIDER THIS!!

Students should be aware of these key factors that may impact their total cost of attendance:

UP TO 12 CREDITS: Oregon Promise covers up to 12 credits per term. The student is financially responsible for any additional credits.

VARYING TUITION COSTS: Different community colleges have different cost of tuition. Some may be above the allotted amount by Oregon Promise.

STANDARD FEES: Some community college have additional fees (i.e. lab fees, shop fees, class fees, health fees). These are not covered by Oregon Promise.

CO-PAY: The community college will automatically deduct a \$50 co-pay from the award each term.

Each Oregon community college has a different cost of tuition.



**Oregon Promise amount is calculated
by the average of all Oregon
Community colleges.**

\$3,397: Average cost per year for community college tuition in 2016-17



College A

Higher Tuition Cost \$

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College B

Average Tuition Cost \$

OREGON PROMISE GRANT



College C

Below Average Tuition Cost \$

OREGON PROMISE GRANT

Student responsible for remaining tuition cost, including any cost for credits over 12 credits.

Oregon Promise will cover up to the average tuition charged by Oregon community colleges. If the tuition cost is above this average, the student is responsible for the difference. If the tuition cost is below this average, Oregon Promise pays up to that tuition cost and not more.

Oregon Promise covers some or all **TUITION.**

REMEMBER

There are other costs to go to college, such as...



Room and Board



Books and Supplies



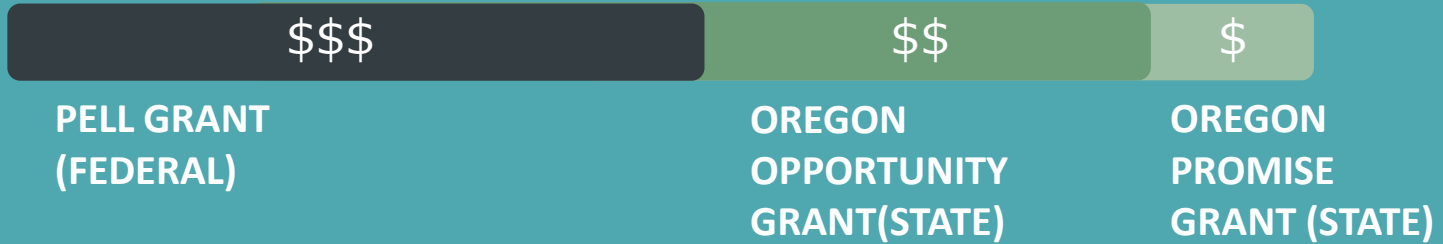
Class Fees

Oregon Promise pays remaining tuition amount (up to 12 credits per term) after all need-based federal and state grants have been applied.

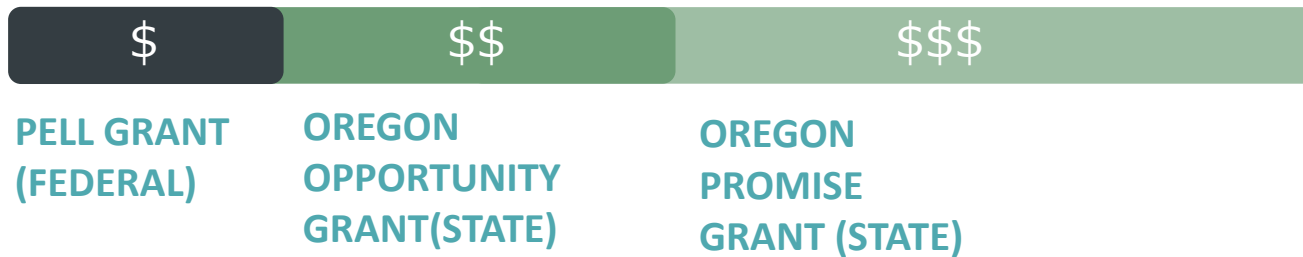
Need-based Pell Grant and Oregon Opportunity Grant are determined by the Expected Family Contribution calculated* through the FAFSA or ORSAA.

EXAMPLE...

Student A: Lower Expected Family Contribution



Student B: Higher Expected Family Contribution



For Student C, Oregon Promise covers tuition, up to 12 credits per term.

Student C: Highest Expected Family Contribution



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The next slides give more details on unique scenarios and circumstances.



90 Credits attempted or completed

Certain college level classes attempted or completed count towards a 90 credit limit. This includes credits attempted or completed in high school. If a student attempts or completes 90 college credits, they will not longer receive Oregon Promise funding.

EXAMPLE:



High School Student
Takes 10 college level
credits.



90 - 10 = 80 credits



Oregon Promise will
cover up to 80 credits
at a community college.

For High School Registrars

In many cases, high schools will be able to verify students' GPA without having to upload high school transcripts.

High School Registrars should log in into the High School Portal and click "met" or "not met" next to the student's name. This can be started as soon as the 1st semester/trimester grades are available, and no later than July 1.

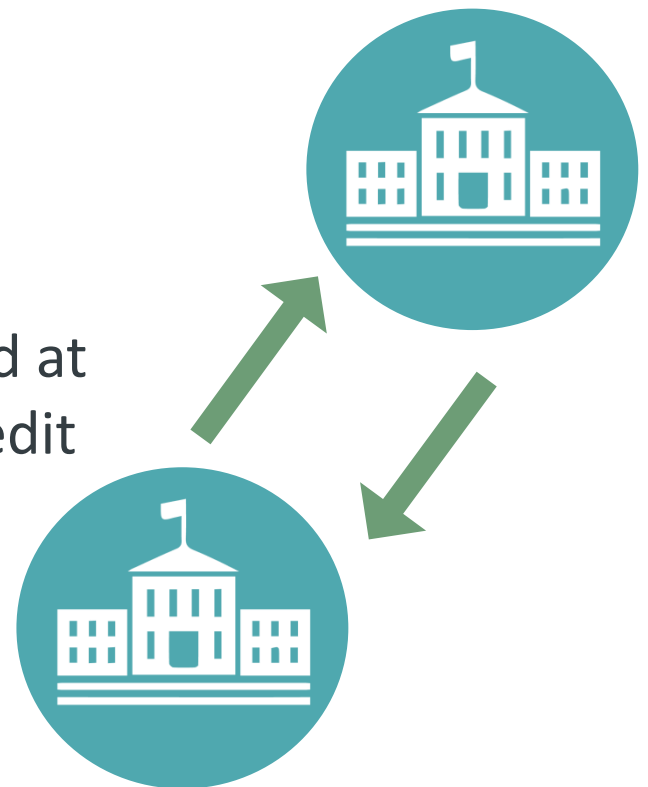


VERIFY GPA IN HIGH SCHOOL PORTAL

For Dual Enrollment

The community college must be listed as the **student's home college**. This is completed through your dual enrollment process.

Oregon Promise will only cover tuition for credits taken at the community college. However, credits completed and attempted at both colleges will count towards the 90 credit limit allowed by Oregon Promise.



For DACA and other undocumented students

DACA students and other undocumented students are eligible for the Oregon Promise if they meet all eligibility requirements.

DACA students and other undocumented students must complete the Oregon Student Aid Application (ORSAA) to be considered for the Oregon Promise.



[ORSAA at OregonStudentAid.gov](https://www.orsaa.org)

For Homeschooled

In lieu of a high school transcript, homeschooled students must submit:

- Copy of **Confirmation of Enrollment letter** on file at the local Education Service District
- Copy of the results of the **tenth-grade standardized achievement test**
- A **transcript** from homeschool teacher describing coursework and letter grades assigned



For GED Completers

A minimum GED score of **145** for each test will equate to a **2.5 cumulative GPA**.

In lieu of a high school transcript, GED completers must:

1. Submit transcripts from the GED Testing Service[®]. This can be the electronic copy that is emailed to you upon completion of your GED.
2. Confirm your name and scores from all four of the GED[®] tests are on your transcript.

Renewal Process For Current Recipients

Current Oregon Promise recipients must file a valid 2017-2018 FAFSA or ORSAA and list an Oregon community college to renew their award. No additional application is required.

However, please remember that your continued eligibility is dependent on the following the requirements found on Slide 10 and 11.