



# The Educational Opportunity Program/Advancement on Individual Merit (EOP/AIM) Fact Sheet

## What is EOP/AIM?

The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) at Stony Brook University was started in 1968 and given the local name Advancement on Individual Merit or AIM. Therefore, the Education Opportunity Program at Stony Brook is referred to as EOP/AIM. Full funding for Educational Opportunity Programs on SUNY campuses was approved by the New York State Legislature in 1970.

The purpose for the Educational Opportunity Program is to fulfill New York State’s commitment to provide access to higher education for economically disadvantaged students who possess the potential to succeed in college, but whose academic preparation in high school has not fully prepared them to pursue college education successfully. The primary mission of EOP/AIM is to facilitate the recruitment, enrollment, retention, and graduation of these students. This is accomplished by providing EOP/AIM students with an array of educationally-related support services.

Students accepted to the University through EOP/AIM participate fully in all campus academic and social activities and are held to the same standards and regulations as all other university students.

## (EOP/AIM) Economic Eligibility

| Household Size | Total Annual Income |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 1              | \$22,459            |
| 2              | \$30,451            |
| 3              | \$38,443            |
| 4              | \$46,435            |
| 5              | \$54,427            |
| 6              | \$62,419            |
| 7              | \$70,411            |
| 8              | \$78,403**          |

\*\*plus \$7,992 for each add'l family member

### The Income Guidelines Do Not Apply If:

1. You or your family receives payment from Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Home Relief, Safety Net or Family Day Care through a New York State or County Department of Social Services, Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance or Office of Children and Family Assistance;
2. You live with foster parents who do not provide support for college, and your natural parents provide no such support;
3. You are a ward of the state or the county.

## Eligibility & Income Guidelines

Applications for EOP/AIM are processed through the Office of Admissions. Applicants must qualify both academically and economically under the specified guidelines. To be eligible for consideration, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a New York State resident at least 12 months prior to enrollment.
- Have received a New York State high school diploma or its equivalent.
- Be ineligible for admission to Stony Brook under traditional standards, but be able to demonstrate to the campus EOP admissions committee potential for completing a college program.
- Meet the Economic Eligibility Income Guidelines. Priority will be given to “applicants from families characterized by historical, educational, economic, and cultural disadvantaged”.

### Freshman Academic Guidelines

- Must complete three years of high school science and three years sequential math
- Minimum grade point average of 82
- Satisfactory scores in either the SAT or ACT.  
**New SAT-** (March 2016 and later) Total Score of 980 (minimum Reading Test score of 25 and Math Test score of 24.5)  
**ACT** Composite Score of 19 (minimum scores of 19 in English and Math)

### Transfer Academic Guidelines

- A 2.8 cumulative grade point average.
- Minimum of 24 completed credits at an accredited institution at the time of application.
- Transfer students are eligible for admission if they are enrolled in EOP, HEOP, SEEK, or College Discovery.
- Demonstrated academic progress in your major for eligibility.



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## (EOP/AIM) Support Services

*EOP/AIM offers the following support services to all students in the program:*

### Pre-Freshman Summer Academy

Students admitted to EOP/AIM are required to attend a pre-freshman summer academic skills enhancement academy that sharpens the students' academic skills and intellectual development, and prepares them for the rigors of full-time college enrollment. The Summer Academy also familiarizes students with the University campus and helps them make the transition from high school to college. The Summer Academy models an academic semester and offers a wide range of activities and opportunities for successful college life.

### Personal Counseling & Academic Advising

Each student in EOP/AIM is assigned his/her own counselor. Students are expected to meet with their counselors at least three times a semester for individual counseling/advising. Once each semester they must attend an all-program general meeting. EOP/AIM counselors are available to students on a walk-in basis or by appointment, and offer students personal, financial aid, academic, and career counseling.

### Turner AIM Mentor Program (TAMP)

TAMP is a partnership between Turner Fellows and EOP/AIM students. It is a program that encompasses the "mentoring of mentors." The program is designed to help EOP/AIM students adjust to the Stony Brook University community and prepare them for experiences and processes that are invaluable after they earn their undergraduate degrees.

### Computer Based Instruction & Tutorial (CBIT) Laboratory

Students have access to the EOP/AIM CBIT lab, housed in the program office, which is equipped with state-of-the-art workstations, a variety of educational software, and internet access.

### Workshops & Conferences

Workshops are offered by the program during the summer and academic year on a variety of topics including: time management, test-taking and study skills, résumé writing, interview techniques, computer searching of job databases, and post-graduate career opportunities. Students who are in leadership roles within EOP may have the opportunity to attend professional development conferences on both the local and national level.

### Tutorial Services

Free tutoring is offered for many courses students take on a regular basis. Students may request tutoring in any subject, and tutoring groups are formed based on the needs expressed by students. Study groups are also offered in many different courses.

### EOP Academic Success Coach Program

Students are assigned a success coach to mentor them in the areas of study skills, time management, and other techniques that will help develop the skills necessary to be a successful student. A large percentage of students who have been coached increase their semester and cumulative grade point average. Students may request or be assigned a success coach through their assigned EOP advisor.

### For More Information Contact:

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