

Educational Opportunity Program

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The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is an academic department of Marquette University that assists first-generation college students, underrepresented students and students whose families meeting federally established income guidelines to succeed in higher education. EOP manages five major TRIO grants from the U.S. Department of Education, all of which share the common purpose of making a college education a realistic option for eligible students.

EOP College Programs

EOP administers two programs designed specifically to assist students while attending Marquette University.

EOP Student Support Services

EOP Student Support Services provide a network of services designed to increase the probability that each student succeeds in the university. Support services include need-based financial aid, a pre-freshman summer program, academic advising, specialized courses, and tutoring, as well as personal and career counseling. Students may apply to EOP-SSS when they apply for admission to Marquette University, after completion of the Marquette application or even after beginning studies at Marquette. The majority of EOP-SSS students enroll as entering freshmen and participate in the EOP-SSS summer program. For application information, call (414) 288-7593.

EOP McNair Scholars Program

The McNair Scholars Program provides services designed to encourage eligible sophomores, juniors and seniors to prepare for doctoral study. During the academic year, McNair Scholars participate in seminars, meet with visiting minority scholars, and attend professional and undergraduate research conferences. In the summer, McNair Scholars receive eight-week paid research internships with Marquette faculty, visit graduate schools and enroll in a GRE preparation course. McNair Scholars are eligible for conference travel grants, research stipends, GRE fee waivers and admissions application fee waivers. For application information, call (414) 288-1771.

EOP Precollege Programs

EOP also administers three pre-college programs to help prepare high schools in the Milwaukee area for enrollment and success in college.

Upward Bound (UB)

The Upward Bound programs seeks to motivate and prepare high school students to enroll and succeed in college. These structured programs provide summer instruction and enrichment programs such as tutoring and other academic enhancement programs, cultural activities as well as after-school and summer enrichment programming. The Upward Bound Program assists students who wish to pursue college in a variety of majors.

Upward Bound Math and Science (UBMS)

The Upward Bound Math and Science places its focus on students wishing to further their education in science, technology, engineering or math. For further information on UB and UBMS, call (414) 288-7368.

Educational Talent Search

Educational Talent Search is a program that identifies and assists individuals from diverse economic backgrounds and provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants. The programming and academic enrichment programs occur within target schools in the Milwaukee area.