



# EOP Renaissance Scholars Program

## California State University, San Bernardino

Cal State San Bernardino's EOP Renaissance Scholars Program was established in 2003. The Program is committed to providing comprehensive support services to EOP-eligible, current or former foster youth as they transition to the university and through to graduation. The success of the EOP Renaissance Scholars Program is a result of services provided through the collaborative efforts of faculty, staff and various campus departments at Cal State San Bernardino, as well as dedicated community partners.

### Program Goals

- Assist current and former foster youth with admission to the university
- Provide comprehensive support that promotes academic and personal success
- Encourage active participation in university life
- Prepare students for graduation and beyond
- Provide experiences that enrich students academically, culturally and socially

### Program Benefits

- Admissions Assistance
- EOP Summer Bridge Program
- Financial assistance and guidance
- Priority Registration
- Mentoring
- Tutoring Services through the Learning Center
- Cultural Enrichment and Recreational Activities
- Networking and Leadership Opportunities
- Orientation
- Academic Advising
- Eligible for additional Scholarship & Grant Awards
- On-campus Housing Assistance
- Mid-quarter Evaluations
- Personal Counseling
- Life Skills and Academic Workshops
- Post-graduate Career Planning and Assistance

### Eligibility Requirements

- Be a highly motivated current or former foster youth, between the ages of 17 and 25, who demonstrates academic potential
- Qualify for admission to Cal State San Bernardino as a freshman or transfer student. For CSUSB eligibility information and to access the application for admissions, go to: [Cal State Apply](#)
- Qualify for EOP (Educational Opportunity Program). For eligibility information, go to: [CSU EOP Main Page](#)
- Qualify for "Independent Student" status under federal financial aid guidelines
- Apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [FAFSA Website](#), or the California Dream Act application at [California Dream Act Application](#), by the priority filing date, March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- As a first time freshman, be available to participate in the EOP Summer Bridge Program
- Apply for Cal Grant by completing the Cal Grant GPA Verification Form at [CSAC Website](#) by March 2<sup>nd</sup>
- If in foster care between the ages of 16-18, apply for the Chaffey Grant at [Chaffee Website](#)

### Contact Information:

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### Submit Application to:

California State University, San Bernardino  
EOP Renaissance Scholars Program  
c/o Amanda Robles  
5500 University Parkway, UH-395  
San Bernardino, CA 92407  
Or Fax: (909) 537-7084

# 2019-2020 EOP Renaissance Scholars Program Application

All eligible applicants will be invited to participate in an interview with the EOP Renaissance Scholars Program Coordinator

## Application Form

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

School currently attending (name, city and state): \_\_\_\_\_

CSUSB Admission application submitted: ☐ Yes ☐ No Date \_\_\_\_\_

Class level at time of planned enrollment: ☐ Incoming Freshman ☐ Transfer Student

Current SAT score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date taken or to be taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Current ACT score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date taken or to be taken: \_\_\_\_\_

County where your dependency was established : ☐ San Bernardino ☐ Riverside ☐ Los Angeles ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

County you emancipated from (if applicable): ☐ San Bernardino ☐ Riverside ☐ Los Angeles ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Total years spent in foster care: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you AB12 Eligible: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Social Worker Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

ILP Social Worker Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Current type of placement: ☐ Foster Home ☐ Group Home ☐ Relative Home ☐ Residential Facility ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Plan for housing while attending Cal State San Bernardino: ☐ On-campus ☐ Off-campus ☐ Foster Home ☐ With Friend/ Relative

Current source of financial support (check all that apply): ☐ Foster Family/Group Home ☐ Employment ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Average hours worked per week in 2018/2019 (enter zero if unemployed): \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this program? (check all that apply): ☐ ILP ☐ Foster Family ☐ Counselor ☐ Social Worker ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Requirement

Submit a complete application packet including:

- ☐ This completed application form
- ☐ Personal Statement – Please submit a 2-4 paged, double-spaced, typed statement that addresses the following:
  - Please provide an introduction of yourself
  - Please describe your educational/career goals
  - Please describe any obstacles you overcame in your pursuit of an education
  - Please describe any special interests, group memberships, honors and awards
  - Please describe your family situation, how you came to enter foster care
  - Please describe your current support system
- ☐ Copy of your Dependency Verification Letter from your Social Worker or ILP Coordinator

## Application Checklist

	Item Due Date
CSUSB Application for Admissions <a href="https://www2.calstate.edu/apply">https://www2.calstate.edu/apply</a>	October 1, 2018 – November 30, 2018
EOP Application <a href="https://www2.calstate.edu/apply">https://www2.calstate.edu/apply</a>	October 1, 2018 – November 30, 2018
EOP Renaissance Scholars Program Application Packet	October 1, 2018 – open until filled
Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Apply online at <a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">http://www.fafsa.ed.gov</a>	Priority filing: October 1, 2018 – March 2, 2019
California Dream Act application (if applicable) Apply online at <a href="http://www.caldreamact.org">www.caldreamact.org</a>	Priority filing: October 1, 2018 – March 2, 2019
Cal Grant Grade Point Average Verification form <a href="http://www.csac.ca.gov/">http://www.csac.ca.gov/</a>	October 1, 2018 – March 2, 2019
CSUSB Housing Application See <a href="http://housing.csusb.edu/">http://housing.csusb.edu/</a>	No deadline: First come, first served