

Discover Academic Excellence

The Arthur O. Eve **Higher Education Opportunity Program** (HEOP) is a partnership between The Sage Colleges & the New York State Education Department. HEOP is designed to provide broad and varied educational instruction to capable students who, due to limited academic and financial resources, would otherwise not have the opportunity to attend Sage.

Once admitted into HEOP, students are provided with financial assistance, counseling, tutoring, advising and other support services throughout their college careers. The goal of HEOP at Sage is to retain and graduate promising students who will succeed at Sage and beyond.

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The Benefits of HEOP

SUMMER PROGRAM

Upon entering HEOP, you are required to take part in a five-week Summer Program. The program is designed to orient you to college life, initiate a program of academic skill building, and acquaint the student with the services available through HEOP.

SUPPORT SERVICES

During the summer and academic year, support services in many forms are available, including:

Counseling Services

Provided by the HEOP staff on an individual or group basis to assist with personal challenges interfering with academic work.

> Academic

HEOP students receive assistance in selecting academic majors and courses, can take a reduced course load your first semester, and will be given an extra year of eligibility to graduate in order to complete your course work.

> Personal

Adjustment to college life often presents many new problems

for HEOP students. Counseling helps you develop self-confidence, and a positive attitude about learning.

> Career

Students are often undecided about what to do after graduation. The HEOP staff will assist you in making career choices and selecting the necessary courses to prepare you for employment or postgraduate study.

Tutorial Services

HEOP provides tutorial services to assist students with academic courses. Tutorial services are conducted on an individual basis or in groups. Tutors include both experienced peer tutors and professional tutors.

Financial Support

Once you are admitted to the HEOP program, you will receive a financial aid package that will meet your basic educational expenses. To be eligible for the standard HEOP financial aid package, you must complete the FAFSA and apply for the NYS Tuition Assistance Program (TAP).





How do I know if I am eligible?

In order to be eligible for the HEOP program you must satisfy both academic and financial criteria. You may be considered for the HEOP program if you:

- Are a New York State resident
- Possess a New York high school diploma or equivalent
- Have a high school grade point average and/or testing below the regular admission guidelines for Sage
- Demonstrate the academic potential and motivation for completion of a degree program
- Meet the NYS financial guidelines
- Have a personal desire to succeed at the college level

The HEOP program staff and the Admission Committee will consider applicants who demonstrate academic potential and who fall below the general admission requirements. Please contact the Office of Admission for specific requirements.

Financial eligibility for HEOP at The Sage Colleges is determined by the HEOP staff and the Director of Financial Aid, utilizing guidelines set by the NYS Education Department. Information regarding financial eligibility can be obtained by visiting: www.highered.nysed.gov.



How do I apply?

For **first-year students**, the following academic and economic information should be submitted by mid-February:

- A completed application
- Official high school transcript
- SAT or ACT scores
- Counselor and/or teacher letters of recommendation
- Personal statement

Transfer students to Sage's HEOP program must currently be, or have previously been, enrolled in an approved HEOP, EOP, SEEK or College Discovery Program. Transfer admission for HEOP is based on space availability.