

Opportunity Grant Program

Clover Park Technical College's Opportunity Grant Program provides financial assistance and innovative student support services for low-income adults to help them reach the career education "tipping Point": one year of college-level coursework, plus a professional credential. Eligible students must meet the Federal low-income guidelines and have earned less than an Associates Degree. The Opportunity Grant allows students previously underserved by traditional student support structures to successfully ascend career ladders in the following fields:

- **Aerospace Composite Technician**
- **Architectural CAD Drafting IBEST (English as a Second Language)**
- **Aviation Maintenance**
- **Early Care & Education**
- **Environmental Science**
- **Healthcare – Nursing Assistant Certification, IBEST Nursing Assistant, IBEST/Allied Health Aid Surgical Tech, Licensed Practical Nurse, Registered Nurse, Medical Assistant, Health Unit Coordinator, and Histology Technician**
- **Landscape Management/Horticulture**
- **Residential Construction**
- **Sustainable Building Science**

For participating students, the Opportunity Grant may cover a significant portion of educational need, including tuition, books, and supplies. Grant funds are available to help cover some one time emergency expenses such as, a past due utility bill, childcare, or transportation issues. Opportunity Grant students are offered personal and professional development workshops in areas such as budgeting and test taking strategies. Each student meets directly with the Opportunity Grant Coordinator who advocates for them and helps remove barriers that impact progress in their programs.

Application Process:

- Meet with the Grant Coordinator **and** complete the Opportunity Grant application
- Complete the Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA)* for 2009-2010
- Provide a Social Security number or an Alien Registration number
- Be a Washington State resident for 1 year prior to enrollment
- Not be in default on student loans or owe money to a college

Meet gross 2008 income guidelines as stated below:

# in family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Monthly Income	1,805	2,428	3,051	3,675	4,298	4,921	5,545	6,168	6,791	7,133
Yearly Income	21,660	29,140	36,620	44,100	51,580	59,060	66,540	74,020	81,500	88,980

*If you are also receiving traditional financial aid, you may be required to complete and submit other documentation.

Please direct program questions to the Opportunity Grant Coordinator, Sharon Freeman at 253-589-5957.
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8:00 am to 5:00 pm

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