



## EOP Freshman Summer Bridge 2023 Stanislaus State – June 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> Parent/Guardians FAQ's

### Educational Opportunity Program

The Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is an admission-based program that increases access, academic excellence, and retention for California's historically underserved low income, first-generation college students. EOP provides services including Summer Bridge, Promise Scholars, and developmental academic advising. These programs and services encourage students to make conscious connections between the acquisition of skills and their application to academic, social, and professional lives.

### Summer Bridge Program: June 11<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>

Summer Bridge is designed to equip students with the tools necessary for a successful transition from high school to university life. Participation in the program will provide students with the opportunity to learn about a variety of university resources and to build a community with fellow EOP students, peer mentors, and other university faculty and staff. Summer Bridge participants will start developing a sense of belonging and connection to EOP and the university.

### Costs & Expenses

There is no charge for EOP students to participate in Summer Bridge. The cost for housing, food, and any educational or social materials needed to participate in Summer Bridge are covered by Educational Opportunity Program.

Students and parents/family/guardians should keep the following additional costs in mind as they are not covered by the program:

- Students are responsible for their own transportation. If a transportation is barrier in attending Summer Bridge, please email the EOP Summer Bridge Lead as soon as possible.
- Linens and other items (see list of things to bring in housing)
- Snacks and beverages (outside of regular mealtime)
- PARKING: Daily Parking Permit - \$6 per day

### Informational Sessions

EOP will be hosting Information Sessions starting in March 2023. We highly encourage all students, and their family/supporters attend this information session as we will be covering valuable information about the Summer Bridge program. To learn more information regarding these informational sessions, please visit our website: [www.csustan.edu/eop/eop-summer-bridge](http://www.csustan.edu/eop/eop-summer-bridge)

### Summer Bridge Expectations, Experience, Schedule

Summer Bridge participants will attend several workshops and activities to develop a sense of belonging and connection to EOP and Stanislaus State and be well-equipped to transition into college. Examples of activities include interactive social and team-building sessions, field trips, academic success workshops, and workshops by faculty and staff on campus resources. A Summer Bridge schedule will be shared with your student 3 weeks before arrival on campus.

**ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY IN ALL SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAMMING.**

Dental, doctor, and other appointments should be planned either before or after Summer Bridge. Furthermore, working is not allowed during the program.

### Parent/Guardian Participation

We understand that the transition to college impacts the entire family. Family members and guardians are invited to help students move into the Residence Halls on the first day of Summer Bridge and to attend a welcome session and lunch with their students that day. However, family members are expected to leave following welcome session on the program's first day.

We have put together a few tips you can do to support your student.

### Parental Support Tips

1. Show your unconditional support
2. Gain financial clarity together
3. Encourage your student to connect with their academic advisor
4. Understand the value of getting involved outside of the classroom
5. Expect and accept change
6. Acknowledge that college is challenging

### Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) and the California Educational Code set requirements that protect the privacy of students concerning the records maintained by the campus. Therefore, the only people who have access to student records are the students and campus officials who have legitimate need for the information. Parents will not be given information regarding student's academic progress by any campus employee without the student's consent.

### Emergency Contact Information

- Educational Opportunity Program Staff - (209) 667-3700
- Housing & Residential Life - (209) 667-3675
- University Police Department Reception - (209)-667-3314