

JANUARY 2016



## Educational Opportunity Fund Program (EOF)

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We look forward to a great semester!



The Spring 2016 Semester begins Monday, January 25th, 2016

Check out what's new with EOF!  
The Middlesex County College Educational Opportunity Fund Program is on Facebook.



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New and Returning students can download EOF applications from the college website or from the link on our Facebook page. You must still submit the application in person to the EOF office in JLC 270.

### Computer Availability



The EOF office offers use of an open computer lab located in JLC 270



### Appointment Reminder

As the semester begins the EOF Program would like to take the opportunity to remind you to make an appointment with your counselor in the office. Your meetings can be used to discuss your goals for the semester and the workshops being offered by the program. If you hold the status of academic probation, restriction, or warning it is your responsibility to reach out to your counselor to better prepare for a successful Spring 2016. We look forward to seeing you in the office. Please feel free to call and set up an appointment or just drop in.

#### PEOPLE TO KNOW

Louis Marius Jr., Director

Dr. Victor Vega, Counselor

Flora Stowe, Assistant Director

Hema Patel, Student Development Specialist

Luis Reyes, Senior EOF Assistant

Olivia Maxwell, EOF Assistant

#### Educational Opportunity Fund Program

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## Returning Renewal Student Application Process

1. **FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA.ED.GOV)**
  2. **ONLINE APPLICATION FOR TUITION AID GRANT (HESSA.ORG)**
  3. **RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND**
- **Students must comply with all correspondence from Financial Aid, HESAA, and E.O.F.**
  - **Students must continue to maintain good academic standing.**
  - **Students must continue to schedule appointments and meet with his or her counselor on a bi-weekly basis.**
  - **Students are to continue to take a proactive role in their education.**
  - **It is the student's responsibility to seek out the additional academic advising, personal counseling and tutoring which the E.O.F. program can provide for you.**
  - **It is the responsibility of the student to inform the E.O.F office of any changes in status from Full-time to Part-time. As well as any changes in contact and mailing information.**
  - **It is the student's responsibility to set up an appointment and meet with a counselor before registering for classes. You **WILL NOT** be able to register without an E.O.F. counselor's approval.**

### Luis' Corner

It is important that you read all correspondence regarding your Financial Aid, TAG, and EOF. In order to complete your application process, we need vital information from you, so it is VERY important that you read and follow through with any and all mail and e-mail that you receive from Middlesex County College and HESAA.

- Check Campus Cruiser for status updates.
- If you have any questions please consult with Financial Aid.

### Spring 2016 EOF Workshops

All NEW EOF Students are required to meet with their counselor as scheduled and attend minimum of 6 workshops. Please check

#### Owning the Journey

##### Define Your Destination

(Welcome Aboard and Goal Setting)

*Presented by Flora Stowe*

Thurs., Feb. 4  
2:00pm – 3:20pm, IRC 111  
5:00pm – 6:15pm, JLC 270/EOF Conf. Rm.

Mon., Feb. 8  
11:00am – 12:20pm, IRC 111

##### Document Check Point...

(How to Assess Your Performance)

*Presented by Flora Stowe*

Thurs., Feb., 11  
2:00pm – 3:20pm, IRC 111  
5:00pm – 6:20pm, JLC 270/EOF Conf. Rm.

Mon., Feb., 22  
11:00am – 12:20pm, IRC 111

#### Keys to Transition

##### FAFSA: Preparing and Completing Your Application

*Individual Sessions by Appointment Only Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> – Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>  
(Completed Check List Required)*

*Presented by Luis Reyes*

##### Presentations for Impact, Power & Performance

Gain strength in delivering your personal message with confidence for one on one conversation, group interviews and presentations. We will review body language, knowing your audience and presentation etiquette.

*Facilitated by Flora Stowe*

Thur., Feb. 25  
2:00pm – 3:20pm, IRC 111

##### Navigating Scholarships for Fall 2016:

(Preparing and Completing Your Application)

*Facilitated by Pamela Hedberg, Scholarship Program Specialist*

Thur., April 14  
11:00am – 12:20pm, IRC 111

##### I'm First: Building a future on a strong foundation

As a first generation college student, do you know what it takes to be a success? We will review some key components of personal, academic, and professional success. Learn how to use various aspects of your identity, as well as your hard work and motivation, to propel you. Students should bring inspirational quotes and pictures to create a vision board.

*Facilitated by Hema Patel*

Thur., April 21  
2:00pm – 3:20pm, IRC 111

#### EOF WORKSHOPS

Don't forget to complete your workshop survey, your feedback is appreciated!

## Persistence, Patience, and Planning