

# College of the Canyons

## EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS

*EOPS/CARE, CalWORKs, Inspire Scholars/NextUp*

**Four programs with one united vision of  
placing students and their needs first**

### **CalWORKs**

*California Work Opportunity  
& Responsibility to Kids*

The CalWORKs program assists students with dependent children, who are receiving government assistance (CalWORKs/ TANF), in obtaining educational degrees and certificates while gaining experience that leads to self-sufficiency. The CalWORKs program assists students with education, training and job skills.



### **EOPS**

*Extended Opportunity  
Programs & Services*

The EOPS program is designed to provide above and beyond services to students who have faced social and economic barriers. EOPS provides guidance, motivation, and support services/ resources to help students complete their educational goals, including certificates, associate degrees and transfer to four-year universities.

### **CARE**

*Cooperative Agencies  
Resources for Education*

CARE provides resources and support to single parents, head of household, CalWORKs/ TANF recipients, with the goal to improve their educational opportunities and enhance their employability skills.



### **Inspire Scholars/ NextUp**

The Inspire Scholars/ NextUp program exists to improve access to higher education for current/ former foster youth; increase retention, graduation, and transfer rates, and promote student learning and development. Inspire Scholars/ NextUp provides academic counseling in a supportive and informative environment that encourages student success.



For more information go to:

<https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/empowerment>

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## EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS

### Inspire Scholars/NextUp

*Inspiring Students Promoting Independence and Resilience in Education*

**Striving to improve access to higher education for current/  
former foster youth by providing guidance & support**

#### **About Inspire Scholars/ NextUp Programs**

The Inspire Scholars/ NextUp program exists to improve access to higher education for current/ former foster youth. The programs increase retention, graduation, & transfer rates among youth; promote student learning & development, and encourages student success.

Inspire Scholars/NextUp provides support, guidance, and resources to assist students with pursuing their educational goals.

#### **Services Include**

- Inspire Scholars/NextUp Orientation
- Priority Registration
- Academic & Career Counseling
- Unmet Need Grant
- Book Grants/ Vouchers
- Meal & Transportation Subsidy Cards
- School & Personal Care Supplies
- Cap & Gowns
- Student Success Workshops
- Transfer Application Fee waivers
- Resource Referrals

#### **Requirements**

##### **Inspire Scholars**

- Foster Youth in care at any time
- Up to age 35
- No unit enrollment minimum

##### **NextUp**

- Current or former foster youth whose dependency was established on or after the youth's 13th birthday
- Be no older than 25 years of age
- 9-unit enrollment minimum or College of the Canyons educational plan that shows you plan to enroll in 9 units in a subsequent semester.

***\*Verification of dependency is required  
for both Inspire Scholars & NextUp***



For more information go to:  
<https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/inspire>

\*Must be present in California to receive services



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*Extended Opportunity Programs & Services | Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education*

*Striving to provide **above & beyond** support and resources for students who demonstrate both academic and financial need*

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- EOPS and CARE Orientation
- Priority Registration
- Book Grants/ Vouchers
- Academic & Career Counseling
- Cap & Gowns
- Subsidy Cards
- Student Success Workshops
- Transfer Application Fee waivers
- Unmet Need Grant (CARE)
- Basic auto repair/ maintenance (CARE)

#### **Who should apply?**

California Residents/ AB540/ AB200/ SB68 Students who:

- Are enrolled full-time (12 units +) or 6 units or more if connected to the Academic Accommodation Center (AAC)
- Receive the California College promise Grant (CCPG) tuition fee waiver level A, B, or D
- Have completed less than 65 units of college level coursework
- Have an educational need



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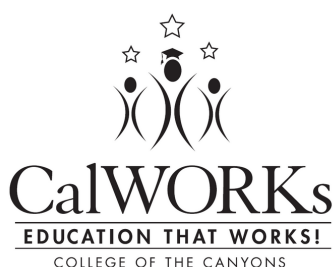
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### Services Include

- Priority Registration
- Academic & Career Counseling
- Case Management
- Facilitation of support services from the Department of Public Social Services
- Family focused events
- Student Success Workshops
- Work-Study opportunities
- Laptop & Textbook lending library
- Referrals to resources

### Who should apply?

- CalWORKs/TANF recipients (cash aid from DPSS/county)
- Have a child under the age of 18
- Have a Welfare-to-Work plan with your local DPSS Agency that refers you to college for education/training
- Be enrolled in at least one class at COC which meets your GAIN goal



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