



FREE COLLEGE BENEFIT



Worried about the cost of college?

A new benefit for FOP members and their families!

The Fraternal Order of Police is partnering with Eastern Gateway Community College to offer FOP members and their families the chance to earn an online degree from a regionally accredited school with no out-of-pocket expense and no need for loans!

A college degree can be your pathway to more opportunity for a better life.

The FOP Free College Benefit covers the cost of tuition, fees and books for participating degree programs at EGCC. This is possible through a combination of grants, employer reimbursements and scholarships. And don't worry: even if it's determined that you are not eligible for any outside financial aid, the FOP Free College Benefit has you covered. A scholarship will be applied to your outstanding balance for tuition and fees.

Eastern Gateway Community College is a public college, regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, and governed by the Ohio Board of Higher Education as part of the University System of Ohio. Credits earned at EGCC are transferable to most other colleges and universities.

For more information, call 330-480-0726, ext. 3113 or visit www.FOPFreeCollege.org

Enroll in just 5 easy steps:

- Complete FOP Verification form at FOPFreeCollege.org
- Apply to Eastern Gateway Community College
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid - grants will be applied to your tuition
- Submit a High School Transcript (or GED equivalent)
- Apply any available employer or veterans' tuition assistance or reimbursement

See More About The Program On The Other Side!





Which programs are offered through the scholarship?

Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice program helps current and aspiring Law Enforcement professionals build on the skills they need to expand their professional and education opportunities. The program is structured to support your transfer to a four-year degree program. Students who have completed a state approved Peace Officer Training program are eligible to receive up to 33 credits toward the Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement degree and students who have completed a state approved corrections academy are eligible to receive up to 19 credits toward the criminal justice degree. Both of these options would allow you to finish your degree in as little as 18 months. Course topics include Criminal Investigation, Crisis Intervention, and Homeland Security.

Associate of Arts

The Associate of Arts (AA) degree is a two-year program which parallels the first two years of a Bachelor of Arts degree at most four-year institutions. As a student in the program, you'll be able to choose electives that align with your interests and career goals. Depending upon your selection, you can progress into baccalaureate programs such as psychology, sociology, English, history, fine arts, communications, or other fields in the arts disciplines, many times as a junior.

Business Management

Choose Eastern Gateway's Business Management program and you can do more than build a strong understanding of business theory. You can develop the practical knowledge and skills important for success in various business-related roles: finance, marketing, operations, communications, accounting, and human resources, just to name a few. Course topics include Interpersonal Communications, Organizational Behavior, and Principles of Management.

Early Childhood Education

An associate degree in Early Childhood Education is your first step in building a foundation for success in the world of childcare. You will focus on important topics in early childhood, such as development, learning assessment and instructional strategy. *(Because practitioners work with children, a background check is required for licensure. This cost is not included in the Free College Benefit.)*

