Opportunities for Postsecondary Success (OPS) – Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I apply for admission to Colorado State University?
• Please connect with the Admissions Office for all questions regarding entry into CSU (http://admissions.colostate.edu/)

Q: What academic accommodations will I receive?
• Please connect with the Resources for Disabled Students Office (http://rds.colostate.edu/)

Q: How will I benefit from OPS?
A: Participating students often experience:
• Increased potential for successful academic and life outcomes,
• A smoother transition to higher education; and,
• An ability to identify, express and meet personal needs and goals.

Q: What services will I receive?
A: You will receive:
• An individualized assessment for identification of specific challenges and needs, strengths, interests and goals.
• Support from a trained Student Mentor. Guided by an OPS Coordinator and based on the student’s individual plan, mentors help students become self-advocates and provide a variety of supports including:
  • Teaching critical skills such as time management, effective communication, problem-solving, decision making, stress management, study and test taking skills, and goal setting;
  • Connecting students to campus resources;
  • Assisting in the identification and implementation of individual compensatory strategies and/or accommodations that promote academic and campus life success;
  • Practicing of social and interpersonal skills as needed; and,
  • Facilitating effective transition beyond OPS.

Q: How much does it cost?
A: OPS is $2,000 per semester. Some students may financially qualify for support from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

Q: How do I get started?
A: Typically, the starting point is Resources for Disabled Students (RDS). Please visit http://rds.colostate.edu/ and call (970) 491-6385 to schedule an appointment with an RDS Counselor to discuss whether the OPS program is right for you. Alternatively, you may use the online application to apply directly to OPS and a staff member will be in contact with you shortly after. Click