

Opportunity Grant Approval of Program

All Campuses

In the Supplemental Budget, ESSB 5693, the Opportunity Grant program received the additional funds allocated specifically for students enrolled in health care programs. This is a \$12,000,000 allocation for the 23-25 biennium. In the 2022-23 fiscal year \$8,000,000 will be allocated to the colleges and \$4,000,000 for 2023-24 fiscal year.

In order to maximize student eligibility for this allocation the Opportunity Grant program has done a system wide approval for all health based programs. This includes behavioral, social and medical health programs. Additionally, the program has approved that Bachelor of Applied Science Health Programs are eligible for the Opportunity Grant.

The approved program inventory has been updated to reflect this change and campuses are not required to submit requests for approval for any current existing health programs.

All programs are eligible starting Fall quarter of 2022.

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