



# The HOPE Career Grant is a financial award for Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) students.

It was first presented by the Governor's Office in Fall 2013. It awards funds to students meeting certain criteria who are enrolled in HOPE Career Grant-eligible programs.

### Who qualifies for HOPE Career Grants?

Students in approved majors (see the opposite side of this flyer for the list) who are also eligible for the HOPE/Zell Miller Grant qualify for the HOPE Career Grant.

### Who is eligible for the HOPE Career Grant?

Georgia residents who are in **diploma or certificate programs** who also meet other program-specific criteria (i.e., GPA, number of hours paid in the HOPE program(s), and other basic eligibility criteria) and are eligible for the HOPE/Zell Miller Grant are most likely eligible for HOPE Career Grant.

### Why are only certain programs available under HOPE Career Grant?

The Governor's Office, along with input from legislators and Georgia Student Finance Commission, determined what programs were strategically important for Georgia's economic growth.

How can the money be used? HOPE Career Grant funds can be used for anything related to a student's costs: tuition, fees, or other education-related expenses.

Does the money have to be repaid? Since HOPE Career Grant is a grant, it does NOT have to be repaid.

### How can a student apply for this grant?

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the only application needed. Apply at: https://studentaid.gov. Students may obtain more specific information from the Financial Aid Office. We strongly recommend submitting the FAFSA, so that a student's full eligibility for all programs (Pell, SEOG, etc.) can be determined. CTC school code is **005620**. Dual Enrollment students must complete the GSFAPPs at https://www.gafutures.org/.

### What information does a student need to complete the FAFSA?

To complete the FAFSA, a student will need to input his/her income for the prior-prior calendar year. Students that are still dependent on their parents, per the FAFSA, are required to enter parental support as well. However, financial need is NOT a factor for HOPE Career Grant eligibility.

## How long does it usually take to be notified of acceptance from the date a student submits the FAFSA application?

FAFSAs are processed by the Central Processing System of the Department of Education within 24 - 48 hours of receipt. Then, the application is available to the financial aid department of the colleges the student listed on their FAFSA. The college may then require additional documents. For most students, an application is completely processed within 2 - 4 weeks, if not sooner.

### If I fill out the FAFSA, do I still need to fill out an application for Chattahoochee Tech?

Yes. Filling out the FAFSA is for financial aid purposes only. Students must fill out an application if they are not already enrolled at CTC.



### HOPE Career Grant Award Amount

### \$500 Grant 9+ Credit Hours Enrolled

\$250 Grant 3-8 Credit Hours Enrolled

\$125 Grant

Students may qualify for additional grants.

### **Programs of Study**

Air Conditioning Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Aircraft Structural Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Auto Collision Repair (Certificate and Diploma) Automotive Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Carpentry (Certificate and Diploma) CNC Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Commercial Truck Driving (Certificate) Computer Forensic and Investigation Specialist (Certificate) Computer Programming (Certificate and Diploma) CompTIA A+ Certified Technician Preparation (Certificate) Criminal Justice Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Cybersecurity (Certificate and Diploma) Dental Assisting (Certificate and Diploma) Design and Media Production Technology (Certificate & Diploma) Diesel Equipment Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Drafting Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Early Childhood Care & Education (Certificate and Diploma) EMS Professions (Diploma) Film and Video Production Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Fundamentals of Robotics (Certificate) Healthcare Assistance (Certificate) Industrial Maintenance and Electrical Technology (Certificate and Diploma) Medical Administrative Assistant (Diploma) Medical Assisting (Certificate and Diploma) Networking Specialist (Certificate and Diploma) Nurse Aid Accelerated (Certificate) Paramedicine (Diploma) Phlebotomy Technician (Certificate) Precision Machining & Manufacturing (Certificate and Diploma) Practical Nursing (Diploma) Supply Chain Management & Logistics (Certificate and Diploma) UX Design and Development (Certificate and Diploma) Welding and Joining Technology (Certificate and Diploma)

#### Notes

- Students must be receiving HOPE/Zell Grant in the same semester they wish to receive HOPE Career Grant funding.
- Students must apply for financial aid and meet other minimum requirements. CTC suggests students complete the <u>FAFSA</u>. No additional application is needed.
- The CTD classes do not operate on a regular semester, as they are only eight (8) weeks in length. There is a one-time award of \$1,100 to eligible students enrolled in Commercial Truck Driving (CTD). Students must be enrolled in nine (9) credit hours (full program).

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