



# FREE COLLEGE BENEFIT

Free College for you and your family members! A life-changing opportunity from your union to earn your Associate Degree

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## Free Associate Degree for You and Your Family

AFSCME Free College offers working families a debt-free and convenient higher education opportunity. Current members, active retirees, their spouses, domestic partners, children (including stepchildren and children-in-law), siblings, parents, financial dependents and grandchildren can all take advantage of this exciting opportunity! Family members do NOT need to be financial dependents or living with the member to be eligible.

## Zero Out-of-Pocket Costs

Members and their families can earn an Associate Degree online, with no out-of-pocket costs. A last-dollar scholarship covers the difference between any federal grants and your tuition, fees and e-books at Eastern Gateway Community College (EGCC).

## Eastern Gateway Credits are Transferable

Eastern Gateway Community College is a public, non-profit school in the University System of Ohio and is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Credits you earn can transfer to other schools, saving you as much as \$15,000 on your education!

### Degree Programs

- Business Management
- Criminal Justice
- Teacher Education
- Healthcare Administration
- Accounting
- Associate of Arts

Over 20 focus options and additional degrees available. For a complete listing, visit [freecollege.afscme.org](http://freecollege.afscme.org)

### For You and Your Family

Family includes children (or step children), grandchildren (or step grandchildren), parents, siblings, spouses, domestic partners, and financial dependents. Family members do not have to live with you and there is no age limit.

### Easy Steps to Enroll!

1. Complete the inquiry form at: [freecollege.afscme.org](http://freecollege.afscme.org).
2. Apply to EGCC and submit proof of high school or GED completion.
3. Complete FAFSA at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) (school code 007275) and authorize any available federal or state grants to be used toward your tuition, fees and e-books at EGCC. As long as your file is complete, the AFSCME Free College benefit will cover the rest. And even if you don't qualify for any grants, we've still got you covered.



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The AFSCME Free College benefit covers the cost of tuition, fees and e-books after any PELL or other federal grant, or employer reimbursement is applied. The remaining amount will be cleared with the Free College scholarship. As long as your financial aid file is complete, there is no cost to the student and students are never asked to take out any loans.