

OFT FREE College Benefit

Ohio Federation Teachers and their families can earn an **Associate Degree with NO out-of-pocket cost.**



FREE COLLEGE BENEFIT FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

- The OFT offers working families an accessible, **debt-free** and convenient higher education opportunity.
- You, your parents, children (or stepchildren), grandchildren (or step-grandchildren), spouses, domestic partners, financial dependents, sons and daughters-in-law, siblings, nieces, nephews and cousins can all take advantage of the exciting opportunity.

Free College is possible thanks to early support and enthusiasm of AFSCME, who entered into a collaboration with Eastern Gateway Community College in 2016.

Call: 888-590-9009
OFT-FreeCollege.org

ZERO OUT-OF-POCKET COST

- 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 EGCC.

EASTERN GATEWAY CREDITS ARE TRANSFERABLE

- Eastern Gateway 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,** potentially saving you and your family thousands of dollars.



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COMMUNITY COLLEGE
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Free College in just 4 easy steps!



Apply to Eastern Gateway

Go to **OFT-FreeCollege.org**, select the "Get Started" button and complete the request information form with your contact and union information (for membership verification).



Complete the Free FAFSA

Complete the form online: **FAFSA.gov**

Eastern Gateway Community College school code: **007275**. The FAFSA application is a requirement. If it's determined that you are not eligible for federal and state financial aid, a "last-dollar" scholarship will be applied to your remaining balance for tuition, fees, and e-books.

Your FAFSA may be chosen for additional verification by the Dept. of Education. Compliance is required to receive the scholarship. Your enrollment advisor can help you with the process.



Submit your transcripts

Submit your high school transcript or GED test score as proof of high school completion. You may also submit previous college transcripts to be reviewed for credit. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the school:

Email: transcripts@egcc.edu

Mail: Eastern Gateway Community College
ATTN: Transcripts
110 John Scott Highway
Steubenville, OH 43952

Fax: ATTN: Transcripts
740-266-9928



Enroll in classes

Work with enrollment advisor to enroll in classes. Call **888-590-9009** or visit **OFT-FreeCollege.org**

The Free College benefit covers the cost of tuition, fees, and books after any PELL or other federal grants, 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.

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