

HOPE Grants At-a-Glance

For: Certificate or diploma programs

Where: Public colleges only. Most are technical college programs

Georgia's 2018 budget: \$109 million

Awards cap: 63 semester hours or 95 quarter hours. Students can receive more than one type of HOPE grant

Exclusions: Students with bachelor's degrees are ineligible for HOPE grants. Students in default on student loans are also ineligible.

	How do you get the grant?	How do you keep the grant?	Award Amount	# Students Receiving
HOPE Grant	Enroll in an eligible certificate or diploma program	Maintain 2.0 GPA	Varies. About 75% tuition in 2015-2016, (for example, \$804 for 12 hours at technical colleges)	44,087, or 59% of certificate/diploma program students
Zell Miller Grant	Earn 3.5 GPA during program (up to one term of retroactive award)	Maintain 3.5 GPA	Full tuition	14,786, or 20% of certificate/diploma program students
HOPE Career Grant (formerly Strategic Industries Workforce Development Grant)	Enroll in approved programs of study, including computer programming, health science	Maintain 2.0 GPA and enrollment in approved program	Award ranges from \$125–\$500 per term, depending on enrolled hours, except commercial truck driving students get one-time \$1,000	14,026, or 19% of certificate/diploma program students

The HOPE GED Grant program awards \$500 one-time grants to students who earn a GED from a technical college and continue to any postsecondary program. About 870 students received the HOPE GED Grant in school year 2015-2016.

Sources: 2018 Budget (HB 44), as signed by governor; Technical College System of Georgia (AY 2016); Georgia Student Finance Commission Program Regulations 2016-2017 and Annual Report 2016. Student who received multiple awards are unduplicated. Percentages are calculated out of resident, "in-state" students.

HOPE Scholarships At-a-Glance

For: Associate's or bachelor's degree programs

Where: Public and private colleges. Most programs are in the university system or private colleges

Georgia's 2018 Budget: \$620 million

Awards cap: 127 semester hours or 190 quarter hours

Exclusions: Students are ineligible if more than seven years from high school graduation, excluding military service; students in default on student loans are ineligible; scholarship does not cover remedial courses.

	How do you get the scholarship?	How do you keep the scholarship?	Award Amount	# Students Receiving
HOPE Scholarship	Earn 3.0 High School GPA and take four academically rigorous courses, such as advanced placement	Maintain 3.0 GPA	Varies. About 84% of tuition in 2015-2016 school year, for example \$1,272 for 12 hours at Georgia Gwinnett College	<i>Public colleges:</i> 65,938 bachelor's degree students, or 48% 12,929 associate's degree students, or 18% <i>Private colleges:</i> 10,650
Zell Miller Scholarship	Earn 3.7 High School GPA and take four academically rigorous courses, including advanced placement, and score 1,200 on SAT or 26 on ACT or be class valedictorian or salutatorian	Maintain 3.3 GPA	<i>Public Colleges:</i> Full tuition <i>Private Colleges:</i> Varies. Full-time semester award was \$2,174 in Fall 2016	<i>Public colleges:</i> 16,496 bachelor's degree students, or 12% 462 associate's degree students, or 0.6% <i>Private colleges:</i> 1,990

Sources: Georgia's 2018 Budget (HB 44), signed by the governor; University System of Georgia, fall 2015; Technical College System of Georgia, 2016 amended budget; Georgia Student Finance Commission, program regulations 2016-2017 and annual report 2016. Percentages calculated from resident, in-state students. Associate's degree totals include both university and technical college systems.