

HOPE Grants At-a-Glance

For Technical Certificate or Diploma Programs

Where: Public technical colleges.

Georgia's 2021 budget: \$66 million from the Georgia Lottery.

Awards cap: 63 hours (any combination of HOPE Grant or Scholarship hours).

Exclusions: Students with bachelor's degrees and students in default on student loans are ineligible.

Beginning Summer 2020, high school Dual Enrollment students who reach the 30-credit-hour cap are eligible for the HOPE Grant. Credit hours are included in total awards caps.

	How do you get the grant?	How do you keep the grant?	Award amount (2020-2021)	Number of students (2019)
HOPE Grant	Enroll in an eligible certificate or diploma program.	2.0 cumulative GPA.	76% of tuition (\$76 per credit hour). No fee award.	27,942 (47%) of certificate/diploma students.
Zell Miller Grant	3.5 GPA during program (up to one term of retroactive award).	3.5 cumulative GPA.	100% of tuition (\$100 per credit hour). No fee award.	9,884 (17%) of certificate/diploma students.
HOPE Career Grant <small>Students can receive a HOPE Career Grant on top of a HOPE or Zell Miller Grant.</small>	Enroll in one of 17 approved HOPE Career Grant programs, including practical nursing, welding.	2.0 cumulative GPA.	\$125–\$1,000 per term, depending on hours and program. Combined with HOPE Grant, covers 100% or more of tuition.	21,231 (36%) of certificate/diploma students.

The HOPE GED Grant awards a \$500 one-time grant to students who earn a GED from a technical college and continue to any postsecondary program. About 846 students received the HOPE GED Grant in FY 2019.

Sources: 2021 Budget (HB 793), as signed by governor; Technical College System of Georgia; Georgia Student Finance Commission, Program Regulations 2020-2021. Percentages are calculated out of certificate/diploma students minus Dual Enrollment students. Not all students may be eligible for HOPE Grant.

HOPE Scholarships At-a-Glance

For Associate or Bachelor's Degree Programs

Where: Public and private colleges.

Georgia's 2021 Budget: \$821 million from the Georgia Lottery.

Awards cap: 127 semester hours or 190 quarter hours (any combination of HOPE Grant or Scholarship hours).

Exclusions: Students more than 10 years after high school graduation, excluding years of military service, and 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 (2020-2021)	Number of students receiving
HOPE Scholarship	<p>3.0 High School HOPE GPA (core courses only).</p> <p>4 academically rigorous courses, such as Advanced Placement.</p>	3.0 cumulative GPA.	<p>Public Colleges: 75-94% of tuition, depending on school. No fee award.</p> <p>Private Colleges: \$2,152 for one semester, full-time.</p>	<p>University System of Georgia (USG): Bachelor's (B.A.): 70,796 (37%) students. Associate (A.D.): 8,983 (21%) students.</p> <p>Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG): 5,230 (9%) of associate degree students.</p>
Zell Miller Scholarship	<p>3.7 High School HOPE GPA (core courses only).</p> <p>4 academically rigorous courses such as Advanced Placement.</p> <p>1,200 on SAT or 26 on ACT or be class valedictorian or salutatorian (entering freshmen have until Dec 30, 2020 to submit scores.</p>	3.3 cumulative GPA.	<p>Public Colleges: 100% of tuition. No fee award.</p> <p>Private Colleges: \$2,808 for one semester, full-time.</p>	<p>USG: B.A.: 24,515 (13%) students. A.D.: 520 (1%) students.</p> <p>TCSG: 171 (0.3%) A.D. students.</p> <p>Private Colleges: 2,798 students.</p>

Sources: Georgia's 2021 Budget (HB 793), signed by the governor; University System of Georgia; Technical College System of Georgia; Georgia Student Finance Commission, program regulations 2020-2021. Percentages calculated from in-state students.

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