

# Saddleback College Promise Program

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Welcome to  
**OPPORTUNITY.**

# Making College Affordable

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE

**PROMISE**

PROGRAM

- Two years of free college
  - Including tuition and other registration fees
- Textbook support up to \$300 each semester
- Income blind
- Support from Promise Success Coaches

[saddleback.edu/promise](https://saddleback.edu/promise)

# Promise Success Coaches

A Success Coach is assigned to a class during the application process and stays with that incoming class for the two years that the student is in the program

- Connect students to resources
- Monitor students' eligibility
- Student Status:
  - Second Year – Georgina
  - First Year – Erlyne
  - Applicants – Georgina



# Program Changes

- Summer enrollment and textbooks not covered by Promise
- Math and English completion are required by the end of the first year
- \$300 Textbook voucher
- For incoming fall 2023 students:
  - Priority consideration is given to students who complete a college and a financial aid application by **May 1, 2023**

# Program Myths

- Students must take a class in their senior year to get into the Promise Program
  - **FALSE!** The Promise Program no longer requires COUN 100 for eligibility. This requirement ended with the fall 2021 cohort.
- Students must be recent high school graduates
  - **FALSE!** Any student who has not attended college AFTER graduating from high school may be eligible for the Saddleback College Promise Program.

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Eligibility for Students starting  
in Fall 2023

### Eligibility:

- First-time college students, not including concurrent/dual enrollment
- CA resident or eligible for AB 504
- Full-time enrollment

### By **May 1, 2023:**

- Saddleback College application or active enrollment
- Financial aid application
- Eligible residency status



# Fall 2023 Interest Form



- Not an application
- Allows Georgina to communicate with students before they apply
- Allows students to indicate if they will have AP scores
- Allows students to join the first-semester suggested class schedule pilot