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The HOPE Career Grant

Answering "how do I pay for it?" correctly.

What it is	A Georgia grant for HOPE Grant-qualified students who enroll in select programs in high-demand fields.
What it covers	The HOPE grant covers all tuition for eligible students in 18 programs of study at Georgia's technical colleges.
What it doesn't cover	**Students still pay fees for required books and equipment.** Other financial aid can sometimes cover those.
Who qualifies	Basic requirements include: • U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizen status, and Georgia legal residency • Meeting enrollment and academic standards, including a 2.0 postsecondary GPA at checkpoints • Selective Service compliance, good standing on student loans, and not exceeding HOPE award limits **Full-time enrollment isn't required, and there's no set high school GPA to start.**

The technician programs on the list

Industrial Maintenance · Precision Manufacturing · Welding and Joining Technology · Electrical Lineman Technology · Automotive Technology · Diesel Equipment Technology · Aviation Technology · Certified Engineer Assistant

The list has 18 programs in all.

Where to confirm

Eligibility changes. Send families to GAfutures and the college's financial aid office.

Sources: GAfutures, HOPE Career Grant · Technical College System of Georgia, Free Tuition. Last reviewed September 2026.