

# **TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Students in the TRIO Student Support Services program are more than twice as likely to remain in college as those students from similar backgrounds who did not participate in the program.

- Council for Opportunity in Education

### WHAT IS TRIO?

opportunity outreach programs are educational opportunity outreach programs designed to motivate and support students from disadvantaged and underserved populations. TRIO includes eight outreach programs targeted to serve and assist low income, first-generation college students, and students with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to baccalaureate programs. The term "TRIO" was coined in the late 1960's to describe the original three programs which are Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Student Support Services.

### **PROGRAM PURPOSE**

TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) is a program designed to help eligible students earn a bachelor's degree.

Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, TRIO SSS offers its participants an array of services designed to make their college careers successful. From an assigned TRIO SSS Advisor who is dedicated to each student's success to free tutoring and success workshops, participation in TRIO helps students make the most of their college education.









#### **ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES**

Students are eligible for TRIO Student Support Services if their background includes one or more of the following:

First-generation college students (neither parent has earned a bachelor's degree)

- · Low income family
- Learning or physical disability
- \* Applicants must also be U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the U.S.



### **AVAILABLE SERVICES**

TRIO SSS participants will have access to a variety of services to meet their personal educational goals.

# ACADEMIC PLANNING AND ADVISING

TRIO SSS participants plan their academic success with an assigned TRIO Advisor who will be available to assist with degree planning. An academic plan will be tailored to the specific needs of each participant.

# ONE-ON-ONE AND GROUP TUTORING

Based on an assessment of need by a TRIO Advisor, participants will have the opportunity to take part in free individual or group tutoring as necessary. Tutoring is available in english, writing, math, science,

and study skills, as well as other subjects.

# FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

TRIO Advisors are available to assist participants with the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

# ACADEMIC SUCCESS SKILL WORKSHOPS

Participants will have access to success workshops covering topics including financial literacy, time management, organization, note-taking, and study skills. With their TRIO Advisors, students can identify other areas in which assistance may be needed.

#### **UNIVERSITY VISITS**

TRIO SSS participants will have the opportunity to tour Graduate School programs at no costs.

#### **COMPUTER LAB USAGE**

Computers, tablets, calculators, and other devices and printing for academic purposes are available in the TRIO Student Learning Center.

#### **EXPOSURE OPPORTUNITIES**

TRIO SSS participants will gain the benefits of campus life, community service, and cultural enrichment through membership and leadership roles in the program.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES**

The TRIO Advisor will help with scholarship resources, applications, and letters of recommendations.



## **HOW TO APPLY**

Information and applications are available in the TRIO Student Support Services Office – E.O. Bell Building, Suite 128, or by calling 713-313-7486.

#### **SELECTION**

Texas Southern University's TRIO SSS program serves 144 students who meet certain eligibility requirements. Each applicant's academic need and stated educational goals are also considered.

Once your completed application has been submitted and reviewed, the TRIO SSS staff will contact you regarding your status with the program. If selected, an interview will take place to determine acceptance into the program.



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# **OFFICE LOCATION:**

TRIO Student Support Services E.O. Bell Building, Suite 128 Houston, TX 77004 713-313-7486 Visit us online at: www.tsu.edu/ studentservices/trio

## **HOURS OF OPERATION**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday

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