

# TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

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Funded by the U.S. Department of Education, TRIO Student Support Services (TRIO SSS) is a federal grant funded program dedicated to increasing the retention and graduation rates of eligible students. To be eligible for the program, applicants must be either a first-generation college student, a low-income college student, and/or a student with a disability. To meet the required criteria of the grant, students must also demonstrate an academic need. Academic need is defined as a student needing one or more developmental courses, a cumulative grade point average of less than 2.5, lack of satisfactory academic progress, on academic or financial aid probation, restriction, or suspension, a documented disability, and/or recommendation from a high school guidance office or an OCC faculty or staff member. Students in the SSS program receive one-on-one professional tutoring, intensive advising, academic coaching, financial literacy workshops, assistance applying for financial aid, assistance transferring to a four-year institution, cultural enrichment, and more at no extra cost to participants. TRIO SSS also offers supplemental grant aid opportunities to participants who meet additional criteria.

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