

TRiO - SSS 2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT



CMU TRiO Student Support Services is here to assist participants in achieving their academic, personal and career goals. The purpose of TRiO is to increase the retention and graduation rates of its participants and to help students move from one level of higher education to the next. For CMU students to be

eligible for TRiO, they must demonstrate an academic need and meet at least one of the following: be a first generation college student, have a documented disability or meet income qualifications. Eligible students must complete an application process and be accepted into the program.

'14-'15 ACHIEVEMENTS

CMU TRiO was funded to serve 140 participants during the 2014-2015 academic year. The program served 140 participants. (CMU was funded and successfully served 140 participants during the 2014-2015 academic year.)

86% GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING

Good academic standing is aligned with CMU's standards of academic achievement.

81% PERSISTENCE RATE

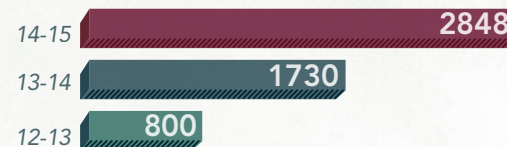
Persistence rate is defined as participants persisting from one academic year to the beginning of the next academic year or to those who have graduated from the institution.

\$22.4K TRIO GRANT AID AWARDED TO 21 PARTICIPANTS

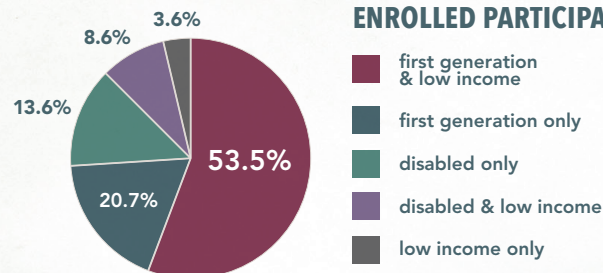
TRiO Grant Aid improves student retention by providing students with financial need. It also provides incentives for active participants to make timely progress in their degree program by reducing the number of hours they need to work.

TRiO BY THE NUMBERS

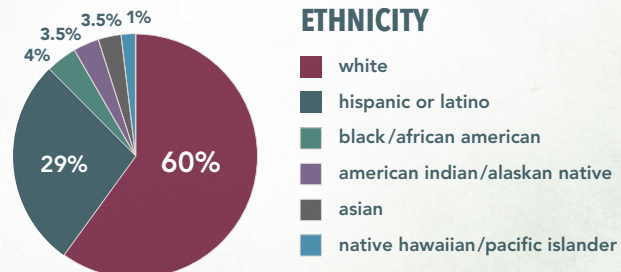
HOURS OF SERVICE PROVIDED



FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY OF ENROLLED PARTICIPANTS



ETHNICITY



2014-2015 PROGRAM SERVICES

GAINING DIRECTION...

Advising services were provided to 87.8% of TRiO participants.

This included academic advising, career counseling, graduate school counseling and transfer counseling.

ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT...

96.4% of participants benefitted from mentoring and counseling services.

This included peer mentoring, professional mentoring and personal counseling.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER...

Personalized academic tutoring services were received by 47.9% of participants.

Peer tutoring services provide participants with academic tutoring, organizational coaching and a consistent tutoring experience in the student-named Fish Bowl (TRiO Study Center).

MONEY MATTERS...

Financial literacy and financial aid assistance was provided to 68.6% of participants.

This included help with FAFSA, scholarships and personal financial literacy, including Dave Ramsey courses.

EXPANDING THEIR WORLD...

62.9% of students participated in informational workshops and cultural enrichment activities.

These activities included a TRiO kick-off informational workshop, University of Colorado Gold Leadership Conference, academic skill building workshops such as developing strong study skills, personal skill building workshops such as stress management, career building workshop such as resume writing, End of the Year Celebration and fun-filled potlucks.

BUILDING COMMUNITY...

83.6% of all students gained a sense of belonging which is important to all students.

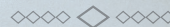
Many participants utilize TRiO as a "home base". Participants utilized services such as study space within the Fish Bowl study center, private study space or got involved in TRiO community service activities.



Throughout the 2014-2015 academic year, TRiO-SSS provided more than 2,800 hours of services to 140 TRiO participants.

DID YOU KNOW...

Colorado Mesa University students participating in Student Support Services are among approximately 759,000 students across the country, ranging from sixth graders to PhD candidates, benefitting from a pipeline of opportunity programs known as TRiO. TRiO programs include Upward Bound, Veterans Upward Bound, Talent Search, McNair Scholars and Educational Opportunity Centers. TRiO programs are designed to support low income, disabled and first-generation students in their pursuit of a college degree, which strengthens our workforce, economy and global achievements.



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