





ANNUAL REPORT

CMU TRIO Student Support Services assists participants in achieving their academic, personal and career goals. The purpose of TRIO is to increase the retention and graduation rates of its participants.

TRIO-SSS 2019-2020

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

ACHIEVEMENTS TRIO BY THE NUMBERS CMU successfully served 140 participants during the 2019-20 academic year.



89% good academic standing

GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING is aligned with CMU's standards of academic achievement.



86% PERSISTENCE RATE

PERSISTENCE RATE is defined as participants progressing from one academic year to the beginning of the next academic year or who have graduated from the institution.



TRIO GRANT AID improves student retention by reducing financial loan burden. It also provides incentives for active participants to make timely progress in their degree program.



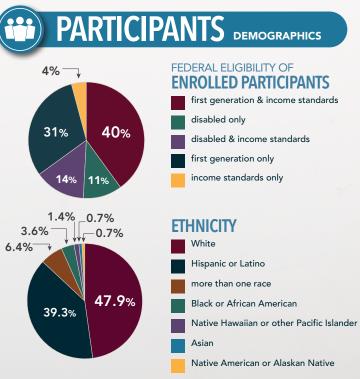
CMU FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP assists students with purchasing books, course supplies and course fees.



DANIELS FUND BOUNDLESS OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP improves retention by reducing financial barriers for students who are adult learners, GED recipients or previous foster care youth.

40% SIX YEAR GRADUATION RATE

40% SIX YEAR GRADUATION RATE is defined by the percentage of participants from the 2014-2015 cohort year who completed a bachelor's degree within six years of entering TRIO. Over 50% of the CMU student population are eligible for TRIO and those students outside of the TRIO cohort graduate at 34.1%/6 year rate.





PROGRAM SERVICES



MONEY MATTERS: FINANCIAL LITERACY

Financial literacy and financial aid assistance were provided to 64% of participants.

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



ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

79% of participants benefited from mentoring and counseling services.

This included peer and professional mentoring and personal counseling.

PERSONALIZED ACADEMIC TUTORING SERVICES

Academic tutoring services were received by 16% of participants.

Peer tutoring services provide participants with academic tutoring, organizational coaching and a consistent tutoring experience in the FishBowl Study Lounge.



GAINING DIRECTION: ADVISING SERVICES

Advising services were provided to 72% of TRIO participants.

This included counseling and advising about academic, career, graduate school and transferring universities.



INFORMATION WORKSHOPS & CULTURAL ENRICHMENT

85% of students participated in informational workshops and cultural enrichment activities.

These activities included the TRIO Kick-Off Success Conference, TRIO SSS/McNair Graduate School Conference and workshops on topics, including academic skill building, personal development, career enhancement and community support.

COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY

DID YOU KNOW...

Colorado Mesa University students participating in Student Support Services are among approximately 790,000 students across the country, ranging from sixth graders to PhD candidates, benefiting from a pipeline of college opportunity programs known as TRIO. TRIO programs include Upward Bound, Veterans Upward Bound, Talent Search, Student Support Services, Educational Opportunity Centers and the McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program. TRIO programs are designed to support first-generation, low-income and disabled students in their pursuit of a college degree, which strengthens our workforce, economy and global achievements.

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BUILDING COMMUNITY

69% of students gained a sense of belonging which is important to all students.

Many participants utilize TRIO as a "home base." Services such as: peer coaches within the FishBowl Study Lounge, private study spaces, free printing and/or being involved in TRIO community service activities are a few of our most utilized services.







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