



ANNUAL REPORT TRiO - SSS 2015-2016

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, 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.

'15-'16 ACHIEVEMENTS

CMU successfully served 152 participants during the 2015-16 academic year.

55% SIX YEAR GRADUATION RATE

Six Year Graduation Rate is defined by the percentage of participants from the 2010-2011 cohort year who completed a bachelor's degree within six years of entering TRiO.

87% GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING

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

78% PERSISTENCE RATE

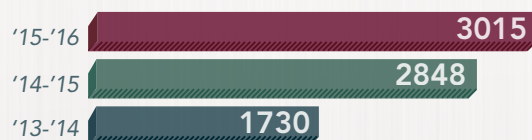
Persistence rate is defined as participants persisting from one academic year to the beginning of the next academic year or to those who have graduated from the institution.

\$7,456 TRiO GRANT AID AWARDED TO 9 PARTICIPANTS

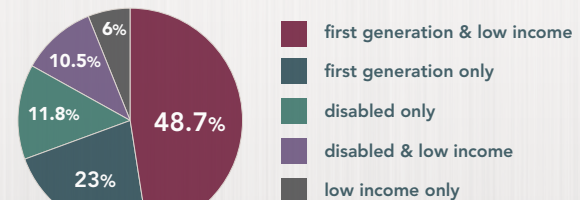
TRiO Grant Aid improves student retention by reducing financial loan burden. It also provides incentives for active participants to make timely progress in their degree program by reducing the number of hours they need to work.

TRiO BY THE NUMBERS

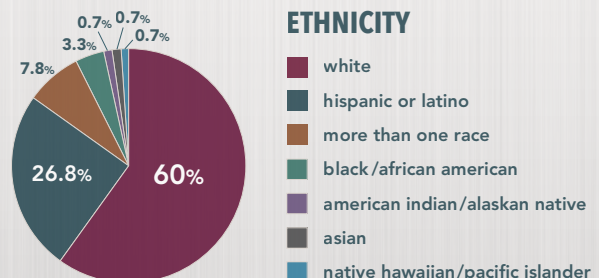
HOURS OF SERVICE PROVIDED



FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY OF ENROLLED PARTICIPANTS



ETHNICITY





2015-2016 PROGRAM SERVICES

GAINING DIRECTION...

Advising services were provided to 78% of TRiO participants.

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

ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT...

94% of participants benefitted from mentoring and counseling services.

This included peer and professional mentoring and personal counseling.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER...

Personalized academic tutoring services were received by 35% 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 60% of participants.

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

EXPANDING THEIR WORLD...

61% of students participated in informational workshops and cultural enrichment activities.

These activities included the TRiO Kick-Off Success Conference, University of Colorado Gold Leadership Conference, academic workshops such as developing strong study skills, personal development workshops such as stress management, career building workshops such as resume wiring, End of Year Celebration and fun-filled potlucks.

BUILDING COMMUNITY...

68% of 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 were involved in TRiO community service activities.

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, benefitting 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,

Throughout the 2015-2016 academic year, TRiO-SSS provided more than 3,000 hours of services to 152 TRiO participants.

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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