

TRIO –SSS Grant Aid Guidelines 2021-2022



TRIO-SSS Grant Aid is intended to meet the following goals:

- Improve student retention by supplementing financial assistance for TRIO participants with unmet financial need.
- Improve academic success by reducing the number of hours participants need to work.
- Provide incentives for participants to make timely progress in their degree program and to successfully complete their coursework.
- Demonstrate support for participants who are actively using TRIO resources to facilitate their academic success.

All students must meet the following criteria to be eligible to receive a TRIO-SSS Grant:

- Be either a first- or second-year student* while active in the TRIO program.
- Be active in the TRIO program as evidenced by:
 - Having two documented contacts with either TRIO administrative staff or Peer Mentors within a semester.
 - Attending at least one TRIO Academic, Financial, Career or Cultural Enrichment program during the semester.
- Be enrolled as a part-time student, at a minimum, for the award semester.
- Qualify and receive the Pell Grant and have unmet financial need.
- Completed the TRIO Gateway Orientations to move you out of provisional participant status.

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TRIO-SSS Grant Aid is a financial award available to eligible TRIO participants through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

*If any additional funds remain in the annual award cycle after first and second year participants have been served, TRIO grant aid will be made available to active TRIO participants who are third year or above and meet the above listed criteria in the spring semester.

Complete and return this application and return to the TRIO-SSS office. Students must meet all criteria listed on the “Guidelines for SSS Grant Aid” to be eligible for the award.



**Applications Due
Friday, November 12th**

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Name:

Date:

Local Address:

Primary Phone #:

700#:

Email Address:

Please answer the following questions to determine eligibility:

1. My current student classification is
 First Year Second Year Third Year or above
2. My current GPA is _____. The number of credit hours I am currently enrolled in are _____.
3. I have two documented contacts with a TRIO administrative staff and/or peer mentors
 Yes No
4. I attended at least one TRIO Academic, Financial, Career or Cultural Enrichment program
 Yes No

Which program(s) did you attend: _____

5. Did you receive the Pell Grant?
 Yes No
6. Do you have adequate funds to pay for your education?
 Yes No
7. Please explain your educational goals and how receiving Grant Aid can assist you in achieving those goals
(**minimum of 150 words**).

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8. Attach your most current CMU unofficial transcript. (found on MAVzone)

9. Please complete the below chart and compile your current estimated GPA for this semester (Fall 2021). Only include 1st Mod, late start and full semester classes.

Class	Credits	Current Class Grade
ESTIMATED CURRENT GPA Fall 2021		/4.0

I understand that I am required to be active in TRIO to maintain this grant aid, as evidenced by meeting at least two times each semester with a TRIO staff member and attending at least one academic, financial, career or cultural enrichment program.

Signature: _____ Date: _____