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What is TRiO?

TRiO Student Support Services (SSS) is a support system for Prairie State College (PSC) students. First generation, low income, and students with disabilities are able to network with other students, as well as receive additional institutional support.

- TRiO SSS goals are to assist, retain, and graduate participants each year.
- TRiO SSS advisors are committed to the success of their students.

What Do We Do?

Students in the SSS program will work directly with an academic advisor to develop a plan for degree completion. Among the services students will receive include:

- Academic advising
- Career and personal support
- Computer study area in the SSS office
- Cultural activities and events
- Financial aid and financial literacy assistance
- Transfer advising
- Tutoring and study groups
- Informational workshops

These services are provided to students to increase retention and graduation rates, as well as enhance interpersonal and college study skills.

How Do I Qualify?

To apply for TRiO SSS program at PSC, students must be enrolled at the college. Interested students should visit room 1202 for an application and to schedule an interview with staff.

Students who demonstrate academic and financial need, as well as a desire to complete a bachelor's degree, will receive high consideration for admittance.

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) requires that participants must be citizens of the U.S. or meet the residency requirements for federal student financial assistance, and either be:

1. A first-generation college student (meaning neither parent has graduated from a four-year institution) and/or
2. Low income (as defined by the DOE)
   OR
3. Have a physical or learning disability

All participants must have a documented academic need.

How Do I Apply?

Call (708) 709-7945 or visit room 1202 (Inside the Counseling and Academic Advising Center.)