

The **TRIO** Pipeline to Academic Success

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TRIO Programs, Student Support Services

History and Overview

The Federal TRIO Programs (TRIO) are outreach and student services programs designed to identify and provide services for individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds. TRIO includes eight programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post baccalaureate programs.

TRIO TALENT SEARCH

6th through 12th graders from disadvantaged backgrounds benefit from the Talent Search program that aims for students to complete high school and enroll in and complete their post-secondary education. It renders support and guidance through the following activities: secondary school academic success, postsecondary enrollment, financial aid support, career exploration, and personal development.

TRIO UPWARD BOUND

Upward Bound works with low-income, first-generation college bound high school students to increase the rate at which they successfully complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education. 100% of the UNT Upward Bound class of 2014 graduated high school and enrolled in college in the fall term immediately following high school graduation.

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UPWARD BOUND MATH/SCIENCE

The Upward Bound Math & Science program aims to help disadvantaged high school students by developing their potential to excel in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) fields and encouraging them to pursue postsecondary degrees and careers within these fields. Based on the 2008 Cohort, 57.44% of UNT UBMS students completed their bachelor's degree (within 6 years/by 2014) compared to the 17.2% of Dallas/Fort Worth metro area and the 39% within the state of Texas (when attending full time).

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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The purpose of Student Support Services is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants. This TRIO program serves first generation college students who either have an economic need, or have a diagnosed learning or physical disability. In 2012-2013, a total of 62 UNT SSS participants graduated with their bachelor's degree and the program had an 87% retention rate within the same year.

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ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

The goal of this program is to help underrepresented students obtain a Ph.D. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better to be eligible for the program. 21.9% of UNT McNair Scholars have received their doctorates as of 2014, compared to the national average of 13.9%, and 13.6% for the state of Texas.



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