## STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

TRIO

Fall 2015

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## Exploring TRIO SSS and It's Opportunities:

TRIO SSS provides academic support, aid in postsecondary course selection, and informs students about the full range of financial aid programs, benefits and resources for locating both public and private scholarships. Educational and informational services are offered to improve the financial and economic literacy of students. Students are also prepared to apply for admission to four-year and professional programs through informational workshops and transfer advising. Additionally, as it is the goal of TRIO SSS to retain each student until degree completion, TRIO SSS offers individualized peer mentoring for each active participant. TRIO SSS **may also** provide individualized advising



## Program Description:

Through a grant competition, funds are awarded to institutions of higher education to provide opportunities for academic development, assist students with basic college requirements, and to motivate students towards the successful completion of their postsecondary education. Student Support Services (SSS) projects also may provide grant aid to current SSS participants who are receiving Federal Pell Grants. The goal of TRIO SSS is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants. S<sup>3</sup> Spring 2016 Office & Lab Hours :

#### Monday -Thursday

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### Friday

8:00 a.m. -

4:30 p.m.

## **MEET OUR S<sup>3</sup> MENTORS:**

Timothy Nicholes Tyrah Maignan

Adrian Mackey

Angela Baca

Welcome to the Spring 2016 semester!

Stop by anytime and introduce yourself to your peer mentor. We always enjoy seeing your smiling faces!

Come check out the S<sup>3</sup> Computer Lab and Study Area! We have all several types of study aides to help you with your classes. PAGE 3

# **Important Dates:**

## **Classes Begin/End :**

Regular 16-week term	January 19 – May 13
First 8-week term	January 19 – March 11
Second 8-week term	March 14 – May 13

#### **Ceremony:**

Spring Graduation Application Deadline	March 25
RadTech Pinning	May 12
Nurses' Pinning	May 13
Spring Graduation	May 13

### •Registration Dates :

Last day to register, add or drop a class, or change from audit to credit.

Regular 16-week term	January 25
First 8-week term	January 25
Second 8-week term	March 18

## •Last day to Change from Credit to Audit :

Regular 16-week term	March 11
First 8-week term	February 12
Second 8-week term	April 15

## •Withdrawal Deadline :

Regular 16-week term	April 15
First 8-week term	February 26
Second 8-week term	April 29



## Program Reminder

There have been several modifications with the TRIO SSS Program. Here are a few you may have noticed:



Concern:	Solution:	Reason:
Ensuring Student Privacy	Red Rope	The barrier prevents others from interrupting or overhearing the pri- vate information that you share with TRIO SSS Staff.
Meeting Student Needs Efficiently	Appointments	The appointment system ensures that each student's necessary files and information are available at the time of meeting. We hope that this will make your meeting with our TRIO SSS Staff as efficient and successful as possible. Monday through Friday: Appointments can be made during office hours.
Tracking TRIO Time	Student Access Lab Contact Asistant (LCA)	Using LCA and signing in and out on the laptop at the front desk en- sures that all of your TRIO time is accurately recorded, and allows you to accumulate the time necessary to fulfill TRIO SSS requirements (including the time necessary for GA consideration).

We will be happy to answer any questions you may have about the current program modifications or the utilization of LCA. See you soon!

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"The purpose	$\int^{3}$
of education	<b>S<sup>3</sup> Workshops:</b>
is to replace	Orientation & Root Beer Social/Meet with Mentors (Room 139): Thursday, January 21, 2016 from 11 a.m 12 p.m.
an empty	Study Skills Workshop (Room 139):
mind with an	Thursday, January 28, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.
open one."	College Cost Workshop (Room 139): Wednesday, February 3, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.
Malcolm	<u>Time Management Workshop (Room 139):</u> Tuesday, February 9, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.
	Solving Debt Problems Workshop (Room 139): Thursday, February 18, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.
	Interview & Professional Skills Workshop (Room 139): Friday, February 26, 2016 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
	<u>Transfer to 4-Year Institution Workshop (Room 139):</u> Thursday, March 3, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.
	Grant Aid Budgeting Workshop-Required for Grant Aid Applicants (Room 139):
	Friday, January 29, 2016 from 11 a.m 12 p.m. Friday, March 11, 2016 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
	<u>Final Countdown Workshop/Potluck (Room 139):</u> Wednesday, March 16, 2016 from 11 a.m12 p.m.

Watch your thoughts they become your words...

Watch your words they become your actions...

Watch your actions they become your habits...

Watch your habits they become your character...

Watch your character it becomes your destiny...

# Spotlight on Academics!

What are some definitions that we all need to know?

• Syllabus

An outline or a summary of the main points of a text, lecture, or course of study.

• Audit

Auditing a course allows students to review a subject area as a re fresher or for general use.

• Completed Hours

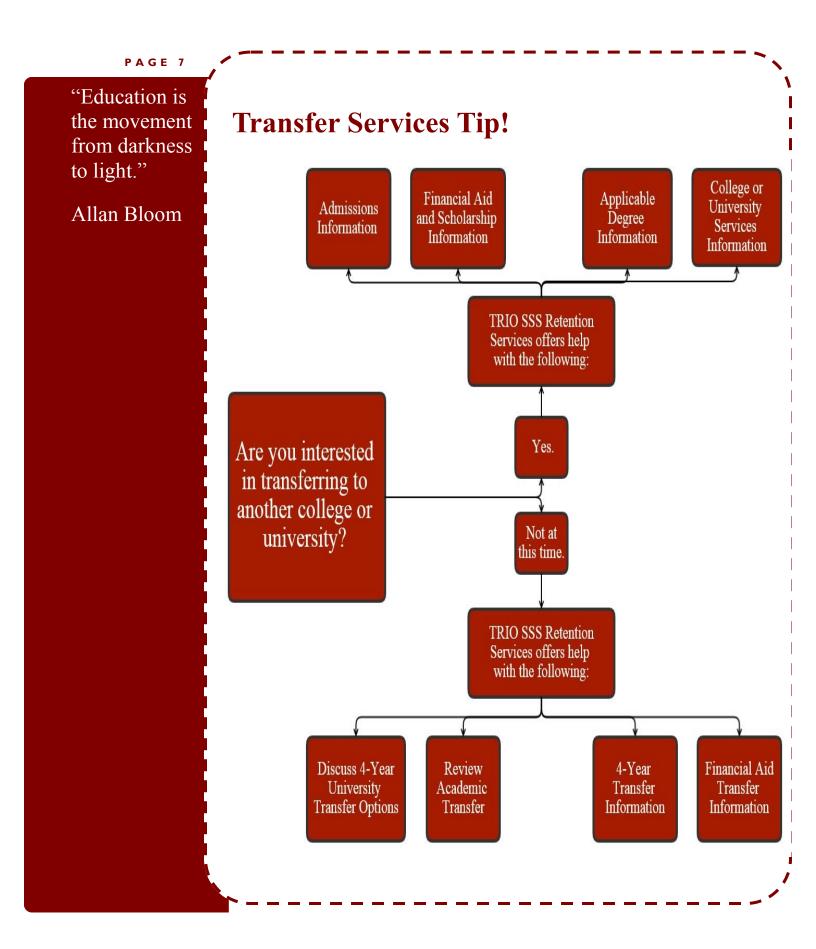
Total number of credit hours taken and passed in a college.

• Transcript

This is the official document containing the record of a student's academic performance and testing history. The transcript must be issued by the school at which a student is or has been officially enrolled and should be certified by the signature of an authorized school administrator. The school's official seal or watermarked school stationary may also be used to authenticate the transcript.

• FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (known as the FAFSA) is a form that can be prepared annually by current and prospective college students (undergraduate and graduate) in the United States to determine their eligibility for student financial aid (including the Pell Grant, Federal student loans and Federal Work-Study).



# $S^3$ TOOLS:

Academic Resources Binder: Topics such as Essays, APA/MLA, Note taking, Time Management & Anxiety Reduction, plus much more...

Community Resource Binder: Information concerning community assistance programs in a variety of areas.

Workshops with a variety of academic tools available to those who attend.

APA /MLA Manuals

Laptop Loan-Out Program

In-house Loan-Out of Calculators, Earphones and Voice Recorders

**Brainfuse Online Tutoring** 

**Study Manipulatives** 

**Financial Literacy Resources** 

Transfer to 4-Year University Services

"How To" Resources

NCLEX Flash Cards, Anatomy Flash Cards, Anatomy Coloring Books, Nursing Study Aids, and more!





Don't

Stop

Believing!!!

#### PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT AID ELIGIBILITY Spring 2016

Must be in the first two years of postsecondary education, receiving a Federal Pell Grant, and have attempted less than 92 hours (150% of selected program of study).

Must have an unmet financial need as verified by the CCC Financial Aid Office.

Must be in good academic standing and maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher at all times.

Must complete the Spring 2016 GA Application and Essay to be turned in no later than Friday, March

18, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

Must select Essay Exercise and adhere to all Essay Exercise requirements. The depth and quality of the submission will be assessed.

Must submit GA application in blue or black ink only.

GA Essay must be typed in Times New Roman, 12 point font, MLA format preferred.

Must participate in the formal reading of GA Essay as a component of the Spring 2016 GA Application Process.

Must make contact with their assigned mentor for at least 50% of all weekly contacts for the semester.

Must attend a live workshop given by peer mentors or full-time staff no later than Friday, March 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

Must attend a live GA Budgeting Workshop given by full-time staff no later than Friday, March 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

Must participate in at least fifteen hours of TRiO SSS Services by Friday, March 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m. Must have completed a CSI (College Student Inventory) and Financial Literacy 101 Online Workshop

on file by Friday, March 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

New and existing TRIO SSS participants must complete an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or UIEP for the Spring 2016 Semester by Friday, March 18, 2016, 4:30 p.m.

Must not hold over two absences from any TRIO SSS appointment by the application deadline date.

## FINANCIAL AID

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

If a student's Pell file is complete by February 1, 2016, the 1st Pell disbursement checks will be mailed out February 12, 2016.

**1st loan** disbursement checks will be mailed **February 19, 2016. 2nd Pell** disbursement checks will be mailed out March 3, 2016.

**3rd Pell** disbursement checks and **2nd loan** disbursement checks will be mailed out March 25, 2016.

**2nd mini term Pell and Ioan** disbursement checks will be mailed out **March 25, 2016**.

NMSIG, SEOG, and CAG checks will be mailed March 3, 2016.

1st disbursement is 35% of Pell 2nd disbursement is 35% of Pell 3rd disbursement is 30% of Pell

\*\*\*Note: there will be no financial aid checks processed from March 7, 2016 through March 18, 2016\*\*\*

Bookstore Charging Dates -16 week classes: January 11 through January 27 2nd eight week classes: March 7 through March 17

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"Education is the movement from darkness to light."

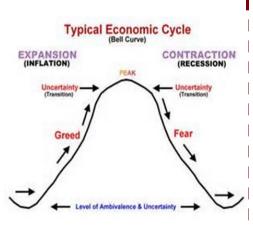
-Allan Bloom

## **Economic Literacy Tip!**

#### Market Economy -

An economic system in which economic decisions and the pricing of goods and services are guided solely by the aggregate interactions of a country's citizens and businesses and there is little government intervention or

central planning



## **Financial Literacy Tip!**

<u>FICO Credit Score Make-</u> <u>Up:</u>

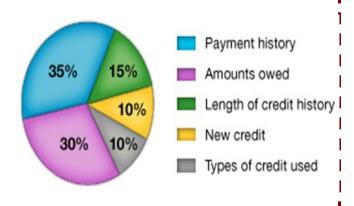
Payment history (35%)

Amounts owed (30%)

Length of credit history (15%)

Types of credit in use (10%)

New credit (10%)



http://www.myfico.com/CreditEducation/WhatsInYourScore.aspx

#### Loans - Interest Rate and Calculation:

A rate which is charged or paid for the use of money. An interest rate is often expressed as an annual percentage of the principal. It is calculated by dividing the amount of interest by the amount of principal.

P = principle, R = rate, T = time (normally in years) and I = Interest.

P (principal) x R (rate) x T (time) = I (interest) Principle + Interest = Total Amount to be Paid



## **Tutoring Center**

## <u>Room 415A</u>

Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 6:00 pm

> Friday 12:00 - 2:00 pm

Tutoring is offered for the following courses:

Math

Accounting

• CIS

Science – Biology, Chemistry, and Physics

And more!

Have Questions? Call 575-769-4119





# Writing Center

<u>The Writing Center is locat-</u> <u>ed next to the Cyber Café in</u> <u>the Library in Conference</u> <u>Room A</u>

Hours of Operation: Monday - Thursday 10:00-6:00pm

The Writing Center can help with Reading or Writing Assignments for any CCC Class. Drop in or make an appointment.

Have Questions? Call 575-769-4183







# CCC COMPUTER L&B SCHEDULE

Computers for student use are available on campus in the

## <u>Center for Student Success</u> <u>Room 171</u>

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m.– 8:00 p.m. Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.



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"EDUCATING THE MIND WITHOUT EDUCATING THE HEART IS NO EDUCATION AT ALL."

## Aristotle

## Cultural Arts Series 2015 - 2016

The mission of the Cultural Art Series is to provide diverse cultural programming of the highest quality by presenting international and regionally produced works to the audiences in eastern New Mexico communities.

This is made possible through the generous continuing support of The Citizens Bank of Clovis and many corporate and individual sponsors.

- M.J. Wilde & Wicked Wilde Jan 23, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Clovis Civic Center \$25/20
- Jesse Cook February 11, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Marshall Auditorium \$20/15
- MarchFourth! February 27, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Marshall Auditorium \$20/15
- State Street Ballet presents "Carmen" March 17, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Marshall Auditorium \$20/15

• Barrage 8 April 5, 2016 @ 7:00 p.m. Marshall Auditorium \$20/15

# **Community Events :**



## For a complete list of area events, please visit:

http://clovisnm.org/calendar/events-by-month.php

http://portales.chambermaster.com/events

http://www.curryeventscenter.com/calendar/

