Welcome Back TRiO Students!

Welcome back! It’s time to REACTIVATE your membership in TRiO.

Please call our office at 315-267-2347 or stop by 119 Sisson Hall to schedule your meeting with a TRiO staff member.

We will discuss your needs for the current semester and initiate services, including tutoring requests, study skills, time management, academic planning and more.

Mark’s Musings

Welcome to the 2015-16 academic year! I hope that you all had a great summer, and I look forward to talking with as many of you as I can over the coming weeks and months.

We have been really busy here at TRiO, as we have had some notable successes as well as some important additions made to what we can offer.

The most important news is that the US Department of Education is going to continue to fund our program for another five years. This means that we can continue to offer you our support and guidance, and help you reach your academic goals and aspirations.

Secondly, a TRiO alumnus, Ms. Molly Clough (’92), will be recognized for her significant civic, community, and professional contributions in the local community by being presented with the prestigious TRiO National Achievers Award in Atlanta, GA this fall. Ms. Clough serves on the SUNY Potsdam College Council, and has been a tireless advocate for injured and disabled members of our local community through her all-female law firm of Carrothers & Clough, PLLC. President Esterberg and I will be traveling to Atlanta, GA in mid-September to help celebrate Molly’s wonderful achievements.

Finally, we have made a number of changes to our social media offerings. We will be sending out far more information via Facebook and Twitter, so please make sure you like the SUNY Potsdam TRiO page on Facebook, and follow @sunypotsdamtrio on Twitter.

I also want to let you know that we now have a facility to chat from our web page. If you go to http://www.potsdam.edu/support/ssc/sss and click on the “Chat with us” link, you will be able to talk to a member of “Team TRiO”. The chat is available Monday through Friday between 8am and 4pm.

Have a great semester! Don’t forget to stop by and keep us up-to-date with how things are going.
As the fall 2015 semester begins here is some information about TRiO 1:1 peer content tutoring:

- All TRiO participants initially submit one tutor request - second tutor requests are given individual consideration;
- All tutor requests must be made in person with a TRiO staff member.
- TRiO participates may meet with their tutors up to two hours per week at mutually convenient times and locations;
- TRiO tutors are SUNY Potsdam students who have earned 3.3 GPAs or better in the courses they tutor and have the written recommendations of faculty members;
- TRiO tutors complete orientation sessions and have regular (bi-weekly) supervision;
- Participants are expected to contact their tutors at least 24 hours prior to wanting to meet to clarify the content of upcoming session;
- Participants and tutors are expected to arrive on time and prepared for sessions;
- TRiO staff contact participants, tutors, and appropriate faculty on a regular basis to assess services, by the tutor and for the participant;
- TRiO staff require tutors to report missed sessions and/or classes, unprepared participants and other issues affecting the effectiveness of services;
- Participants may be asked to meet with TRiO staff to develop learning strategies to compliment tutoring;
- Tutoring is intended to supplement participants’ class attendance, independent work, work with classmates and meetings with faculty;
- Tutoring reassignments are considered upon the request of participants and/or tutors - reassignments are contingent upon availability of other tutors;
- Tutoring is a collaboration between participants, tutors, faculty and TRiO staff. To assure your success, we expect you to be an active, engaged member of your support system!

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns about requesting a tutor or about a current tutoring assignment. TRiO staff are here to help you be successful!
TRiO Academic Success in Spring 2015

President’s List (semester GPA 3.50 or higher)

Kevin Agyakwa
Brooke Allen
Carrie Bailey
Jordan Bautista
Ricardo Bauzile
Tammy Bush
Mariam Cisse
Jessica Cranch
Sandra Cruz
Ashley Delgado
Ricardo Espinal
Ashley Fowler
Hannah Herzig
Moussa Kane
Kassie Kennison
Zhuiyi Lin
John Longo

Katthia Loriston
Melissa Maldonado
Kayleen Miller
Dan Mossel
George Nunez
Marsela Ortiz
Nia Owens
Michaela Pawluck
Matoaka Riedl
Shawna Robinson
Olivia Sheppard
Lina Sinisterra
Jordan Smith
Abigail Toutain
Emily Uppstrom
Erica Weitze

Dean’s List (semester GPA 3.25 to 3.49)

Rosemary Alubankudi
Barb Chatterton
Morgan Clark
Narice Connor
David Dick
Steven Dominguez
Rebecca Fletcher
Kim Gachette
Amy Gaye
Jully Gomez
Osvaldo Juarez
Donald Leisure
Salim Magane
Christopher Martinez
Danielle Mattis
Dayana Medrano
Joseph Meighan
Haley Noel
Namutoni Parris
Andry Rosario
Morgan Rudder
Jacques Sylvain-Pena
Thupten Thupten
Amy Tiernan
Lisbeth Valdera
Diana Valdez
Crystal Washington

TRiO’S NEW MENTORS

Michelle Marks
Senior

Antonia Spurvey
Junior

Diana Valdez
Junior

Arabic Studies and African History Major with French and Spanish and Linguistics Minor

Psychology Major with Criminal Justice Minor

Speech Communication Major with Criminal Justice Minor
GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL DAY

This year, the Career Planning Office is sponsoring the Graduate and Professional School Day. Whether you are in the early stages of considering graduate school, or have already begun the process of applying, this is a great opportunity to learn about some programs. We strongly encourage all students to attend.

Wednesday, September 9

Student Union MPR

4:30-7:00 PM

KILMER CONNECTIONS

Kilmer Connections is a two-year undergraduate research program for EOP, CSTEP/Bridges, and/or TRiO eligible students, designed to engage undergraduate students in faculty-student collaborated research. This program is unique in that it is geared towards underrepresented students.

Year 1: Tier 1 students earn credit for learning basic research skills by attending workshops, appointments at resource centers, and identifying a research topic and mentor.

Year 2: Tier 2 researchers will develop their own faculty-student collaborated and independent research project proposal and defense.

Contact The Center for Student Research, 102 MacVicar Hall. Phone: 315-267-2051  
e-mail: cur@potsdam.edu

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Search for SUNY Potsdam TRiO
TRiO Student Support Services is a federally funded program, which serves 200 eligible students throughout the year. The goal of the program is to provide the academic support necessary to help students remain in school and reach graduation.

Students are selected to participate in the TRiO program based on a request for assistance and federal eligibility. Students may stop by 119 Sisson Hall to fill out a short application.

TRiO participants must have demonstrated a need for academic support. They must be U.S. national, or a U.S. permanent resident with a Form I-551, or I-551C (Permanent Resident Card, Resident Alien Card, or Alien Registration Receipt Card), or a non-citizen eligible for Federal Financial Aid, and must be enrolled ¾ or full-time in an undergraduate program. Participants must also meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Be a first generation college student, i.e. neither parent has a four year college degree
- Fall within income limits set by the U.S. Department of Education and verified by the TRiO office
- Have a documented physical and/or learning disability

### September Calendar of Events

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