

Our Mission and Purpose

TRIO Student Support Services is an academic support program designed to increase the academic performance, retention and graduation rates of participants.

SSS offers academic advising, financial aid counseling, career/major counseling, personal support, one-on-one & group tutoring, academic support programs, computer training, mentoring programs and cultural/social activities.

**** Important Reminders ****

Tutoring slots available. Must sign up and must have a completed file in the TRIO office.

Grant Aid applications are now available. Deadline to turn applications in is December 9th.

ETS Success Navigator is up and going again. Please take the time and complete the assessment. You will need to see Krista or Sharon to review.



Cries from the Basement



November 2016

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

TRIO is spotlighting **Andrea Cape** for the month of November.



Andrea, is a nontraditional student. She is a member of Delta Mu Delta, and Vice President of American Indian Business Leaders (AIBL) and is a professional Tax Preparer. She tries to stay active in her community and attends church regularly. She wants everyone to be able to live their lives to best of their ability and potential with no regrets. She knows through her experience as a tax preparer, debt and poor financial management hinders a person or families lives. Andrea intends to help many other students learn how to have a better way of life.

She started college in the fall of 2013, and like many others, she felt very out of place. She found out about TRIO at the merchant mall event at the beginning of school. Andrea feels so blessed by everyone that she has met at TRIO. While on the path to obtain her Accounting Degree and CPA, she has been so grateful to so many while participating in the TRIO program for the support and services that have helped her in so many ways. From helping her get through Algebra and Statistics to dealing with family issues. Learning about the resources available to help pay for school so she can continue her education. Like most when you first begin school you feel overwhelmed and don't know how to keep up with your school work and/or family life, Andrea fell behind in some areas. But being a part of TRIO has helped her through this adjustment. Looking back in her life, Andrea remembers she had to quit school in the 10th grade and had to learn a lot of life experiences on her own. She worked in restaurants, owned a motorcycle supply shop, worked in a CPA office, managed a power line company and did medical billing and coding. While all of this was great she had always wanted a better education. She has been with her

husband since 1995. Her husband had 3 sons of his own and they have spent their lives building a home, business and raising the boys. No one in her family had ever graduated high school until the boys did. Family is very important to her, even though she was not close to her mom, they lived close to each other. Within a month of starting school her family learned that her mom had terminal lung cancer that was also in the bones. She will always be thankful for the time they had to get to know each other as adults. Andrea's mother lost her battle to lung cancer during finals week last December, and then tragedy struck their family again, when their youngest son was killed in June due to a Power Line accident while at work. While this has been the hardest thing imaginable, her family has understood that life goes on whether they are engaged or not. So now their focus has become on their 4-year-old granddaughter, and her baby sister. The support she receives at TRIO in the past 3 years has been one of her greatest blessings. Andrea, thank you for sharing your story and for being a great student at NSU and TRIO! So proud of you for all that you are doing and going to do!

Tutoring & Advisement



Tutoring slots available!
 Contact Krista Boston at
 the TRIO Office located
 in the basement of
 Haskell Hall.



**Fall 2016
 Group Algebra
 Tutoring**

When: Wednesdays 2:30pm -3:30pm
DROP IN TUTORING WITH BETHANY GALLAWAY



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TRIO SSS

Supplemental Grant Aid Application

DEADLINE: December 9, 2016

Are you a FRESHMAN or SOPHOMORE (have earned less than 60 hours)?

Are you receiving a PELL Grant this academic year?

Have you met your Contractual Agreement for SSS participants for the 2016/2017 year OR as a 1st time Freshman Fall 2016?

- Participated in workshops (in-house and/or online)
- Completed ETS Success Navigates Assessment
- Completed Cash Course Financial Literacy Program
- Utilized tutoring services and/or regularly sought other services

Do you have a 2.5 GPA or higher?

*If you answered "YES" to each of the above questions then you are eligible to complete and submit this form by **December 9, 2016**. Qualified students (who completed the SSS requirements and have unmet need determined through NSU Financial Services Office) will be notified before Spring 2017 semester.*

NAME: _____ NSU ID: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ OR _____

Cell #: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____



TRIO staff & tutors!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To those celebrating in November!

Brenda Bishop

Meghan Reid

Andrea Cape

Kayce Shoemaker

Brittany Childers

Shanice Stevenson

Xavier Erby

Tiffany Taylor

Megan Fielder

Tiffany Turner

Alana Gardenhire

Selana Vang

Robert Jones

Brandon Ward

From Lena, Krista & Sharon



How to create an FSA ID

The FSA ID — a username and password — has replaced the Federal Student Aid PIN and must be used to log in to certain U.S. Department of Education websites. Your FSA ID confirms your identity when you access your financial aid information and electronically sign Federal Student Aid documents. If you do not already have an FSA ID, you can create one when logging in to fafsa.gov, the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS®) at www.nslds.ed.gov, StudentLoans.gov, StudentAid.gov, and Agreement to Serve (ATS) at www.teach-ats.ed.gov.



- Step 1** When logging in to one of the websites listed above, click the link to create an FSA ID.
- Step 2** Create a username and password, and enter your e-mail address.
- Step 3** Enter your name, date of birth, Social Security number, contact information, and challenge questions and answers.
- Step 4** If you have a Federal Student Aid PIN, you will be able to enter it and link it to your FSA ID. You can still create an FSA ID if you have forgotten or do not have a PIN.
- Step 5** Review your information, and read and accept the terms and conditions.
- Step 6** Confirm your e-mail address using the secure code, which will be sent to the e-mail address you entered when you created your FSA ID. Once you verify your e-mail address, you can use it instead of your username to log in to the websites.

Tip: Important: Only the owner of the FSA ID should create and use the account. Never share your FSA ID.

You can use your FSA ID to sign a FAFSA right away. Once the Social Security Administration verifies your information in one to three days, or if you have linked your PIN to your FSA ID, you will be able to use your FSA ID to access the websites listed above. For help, visit StudentAid.gov/fsaid.

Federal Student Aid
OFFICE OF FEDERAL STUDENT AID

Don't worry when you are not recognized, but
strive to be worthy of recognition.

— Abraham Lincoln

Web Sites

TRIO Links

Online Application

<https://offices.nsuok.edu/studentsupportservices/SSSHome.aspx>

Cash Course

<http://www.cashcourse.org>

Online Workshops

<https://www.studentlingo.com/nsuok>

ETS Success Navigator

<http://successnavigator.ets.org/>

Session # 108457-148652059

FASFA Application

Reminder for the 2016-2017 Academic Year

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) is awarded on a first come first serve basis, so apply as soon as possible.

**Start applying after October 1, 2016 for
the academic year 2017-2018**

FASFA <http://StudentAid.gov/fsaid>

FSA ID <https://fsaid.ed.gov>

BE STRONG,
YOU NEVER
KNOW WHO
YOU ARE
INSPIRING





Thank you to all our Veterans past, present and future who sacrificed their time away from family! God bless you and Thank you!