

TRiO Student Newsletter

TRiO, Student Support Services at Xavier University, strives to enhance the student's educational experience by positively impacting their lives.



*Get Connected, Be Encouraged,
Be Successful, Be TRiO!*

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

The TRiO Student Support Services Program is happy to spotlight Kimberly Valladares Zenteno-Keith Sherin Global Leaders Program Recipient

Last summer I studied abroad through the Keith Sherin Global Leaders Program. Through this program, I was able to visit Portugal, and many other cities within Spain such as Segovia, Avila, and Madrid. I was able to study in the oldest university in Spain while living in a very beautiful city with a rich history and culture. I met a lot of other students from different TRiO programs around the country, students that have become very close friends of mine. The people I met and the places I visited through this program has definitely changed my life and has by far been one of my best experiences. I highly encourage anyone interested to apply, you learn so much and have so much fun! Although, fair warning, you will never want to leave Salamanca, Spain.

I do highly encourage people to apply, this program changed my life and it was a wonderful experience. I fell in love with Spain.

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STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Services & Benefits

- Academic Support
- Seminar Series
- Career & Professional Dev.
- Tutoring
- Financial Education
- Grant Aid
- Social & Cultural Events



Resources

- Lap Top Computers
- Calculators
- Study Rooms
- School Supplies



From the desk of the Director *Dr. Daniel McSpadden*

Greetings TRiO students,

As we move closer to the end of the fall semester with final papers and exams I hope that you are prepared to finish strong. I know this is a very busy time for all of you, but just around the corner is winter break. A time where you can celebrate the holiday season, relax and enjoy time with your family and friends. Before the semester officially ends we have **TRiO Dine & Study night on December 6, 2017 from 6:00pm-11:00pm.**

Come out and have a meal and study for your final exams with TRiO. If you are cramming for finals or have study table hours to complete this is a great way to get them done and engage with the TRiO, SSS staff and students.

For those students who are interested in Study Abroad opportunities, the **Keith Sherin Global Leaders Program** applications are now open for TRiO Student Support Services and McNair participants and TRiO alumni to apply to next summer's program which runs from June 1—June 30, 2018 in Salamanca Spain and is co-sponsored by COE and Travel & Education.



The deadline to apply is January 15, 2018; cost is \$2500.00. Download the application at [Http://www.coenet.org/student_opportunities.shtml](http://www.coenet.org/student_opportunities.shtml).

For those of you who attended our community events this semester, we hope you enjoyed: **Black Violin, Marshall Movie Private Screening** and our annual **Fall Fest at Axis Bowling on the Levy**. I hope you had a great time. It was a wonderful series of events and a great way to welcome our new TRiO students and get to know one another.

To all of our students: you are the reason why we enjoy coming to work each day. I salute you on the completion of another successful semester. You are a step closer to graduation. Take care, study hard and much success to everyone on their finals this semester! **TRiO Works!**

FAFSA: Everything you need to know:

The FAFSA form for each year will become available three months earlier than it has previously, in October instead of January. You can access the FAFSA for the 2018-19 school year as early as Oct. 1, 2017. This better aligns the financial aid and college application processes and gives students more time to apply for aid. Completing the FAFSA provides the possibility to receive grants, scholarships, student loans and work-study. More info.: fafsa.ed.gov

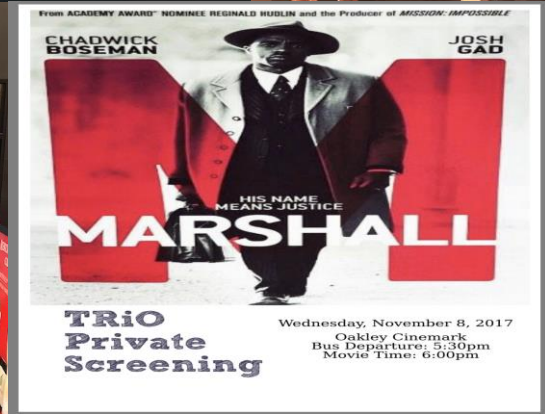
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2018-19 FAFSA®**

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TRiO Student Support Services Highlights Fall 2017



Black Violin

WOCIS Conference

Fall Fest 2017



Study Strategies for Finals Week

Elizabeth Hoyt

There are a number of ways to improve your performance during finals week. As finals, week approaches follow these steps so you can ace your exams and go home for winter break feeling at ease.

1. **Create your own study guide.**
2. **Ask questions about important information you will need for your final.**
3. **Attend review sessions**
4. **Start studying early.**
5. **Organize a group study session.**
6. **Study things not on the study guide.**
7. **Take breaks.**
8. **Stay well rested.**
9. **Create a study schedule, prioritize your time and stick to it.**
10. **Quiz yourself.**
11. **Disconnect yourself from all social media accounts until finals are complete.**

Much success on all of your finals!

The TRiO, Student Support Services office is still accepting applications for new students. Feel free to stop by the TRiO, SSS office CLC 515 for more information. You can also apply to the program or check us out online at: www.xavier.edu/sss . Follow our office on Facebook at: **TRiOatXU**.

TRiO Program Requirements

All TRiO students are required to meet with his/her Advisor (3) times a semester along with (1) Faculty Advisor meeting. The seminar series consist of (6) sessions. TRiO students must also complete a community activity and a Lunch n' Learn session. If required, students must complete study table hours and tutoring sessions. Please stop by the office to schedule your advising meeting and to get additional information.

The logo for TRiO Student Support Services is enclosed in a yellow rounded rectangle. The word "Apply" is written in a bold, red, sans-serif font. Below it, the word "TRiO" is written in a large, bold, black, sans-serif font, with the letter "i" in red. Underneath "TRiO" is a thin horizontal line, and below that, the words "STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES" are written in a smaller, red, all-caps, sans-serif font.

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