

TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

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The Student Support Services (SSS) program provides academic support for low income and first-generation college students. The focus of the program is to improve the graduation and transfer rates of first-generation and low-income students, and students with disabilities at Southwestern. Services include regular one-on-one academic and career advising, tutoring, student success workshops, assistance with financial aid and scholarship applications, transfer planning, peer mentoring, and cultural enrichment.

To be eligible for the program a student must be a US citizen or permanent resident and meet at least one of the following eligibility criteria:

- Parents do not have a four-year (bachelor's) degree;
- Meet federal low income guidelines; or
- Have a documented disability.

The Southwestern TRIO-SSS program is funded by the US Department of Education at \$335,106 annually and serves 160 students each year. Applications are available on myLakerLink at (https://mylakerlink.socc.edu/ICS/Admissions/Program_Applications.jnz) and in Randolph Hall, Rm 6.