

## Mission Statement

The purpose of Gateway's TRiO Student Support Services (SSS) Program is to provide academic and other support services to students with disabilities to increase retention and graduation rates, facilitate their transfer to four year colleges, and foster an institutional climate supportive of the success of individuals with disabilities.

## Program Eligibility

- Are you a citizen, or legal permanent resident of the United States?
- Are you enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an Associate Degree or Technical Diploma program here at Gateway Technical College?
- Has one of Gateway's Special Needs Counselors approved your disability documentation?
- Do you have Academic Need and can you benefit from the TRiO services?
- Have you **not yet** obtained a Bachelor's degree?

If you can answer "yes" to all 5 of these questions then you are eligible for participation in the Gateway TRiO Student Support Services program.

## Application Procedures

- Applications are located on the website at [www.gtc.edu/trio](http://www.gtc.edu/trio) or at any Special Needs office
- Complete the application form and mail it to one of the following locations:

Elkhorn or Burlington:	Racine or Kenosha:
Katherine Saunders TRiO SSS Lead Specialist Gateway Technical College Burlington Campus 496 McCanna Pkwy. Burlington, WI 53105 <a href="mailto:saundersk@gtc.edu">saundersk@gtc.edu</a>	Doreen Gaul TRiO SSS Specialist Gateway Technical College Kenosha Campus 3520 30 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Kenosha, WI 53144 <a href="mailto:gauld@gtc.edu">gauld@gtc.edu</a>

- Students will be required to come to a pre-selection interview appointment.
- Applications & Interview findings will be evaluated by the TRiO SSS Staff and the applicant will be notified by mail regarding their TRiO admission status.

## Participation Expectations

- Students will attend a New Student Orientation with the SSS staff
- Students will complete the post selection SSS Assessment
- Students will meet with their TRiO SSS Specialist to draft a Student Success Plan.
- Students will participate in monthly meetings with their TRiO SSS Specialist
- Students will attend scheduled bi-weekly small group meetings (TAG) with their peers
- Students will attend workshops and events as determined in their Student Success Plans

### ***TRiO Achiever's Group (TAG)***

- These small groups of TRiO participants meet 2x per month on each campus
- Whenever possible groups are scheduled according to participant free time so that all students can attend
- The meetings begin with a 15 – 30 minute educational session designed to improve college success.
- Topics vary from group to group according to the needs of the participants
- Some topics may include: Financial Literacy, Time Management, Study Skills, Note Taking Skills, Stress Management, Research Strategies, Library Resources, Test Taking Skills, Course Selection Information, Career Planning
- The meetings conclude with open discussion amongst participants

### ***Tutoring***

- Requests for tutoring services will be taken from TRiO participants during the 1<sup>st</sup> 4 weeks of the semester
- Tutoring requests may be filled in any one or more of the following ways:
  - Referral to a tutor at the Academic Support Center on campus
  - Pairing of the TRiO participant with a student tutor hired through the Federal Work Study Program
  - Pairing of the TRiO participant with a student employee hired through the TRiO program
  - Tutoring provided by the TRiO Specialist directly
  - Other means provided at the discretion of the TRiO program

### ***Program Dismissal***

- Students may be dismissed from the TRiO SSS program if their program advisor finds that they are not meeting the expectations outlined on this form or on their Student Success Plan.