## What is TRIO?

TRIO is a support service program that addresses the academic needs of participating students by assessing their academic skills, needs and developing a plan to address these areas so that students can achieve education goals.

In addition, TRIO focuses on academic skills development and tutoring services to the so-called "high risk" or "gateway" courses. The program uses intrusive interventions to assist students in becoming academically successful within the college curriculum. Then by monitoring student performance the program assists participants in eradicating any problems that prevent their academic success.

Likewise, TRIO provides comprehensive academic and career advising and assistance with transfer to a four-year university. The program participant academic advising ratio is 1 to 100 versus the general campus ratio. The program's low advising ratio will allow the advisors to become knowledgeable of each participant's needs and have the ability to develop appropriate activities to address the reasons why the student is not making successful progress.



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## What benefits do I get?

- Assistance in filling out financial aid forms and scholarship applications
- Educational activities to 4-year universities
- Use of computer lab, private study areas, textbook (from lending library)
- Specialized Tutoring
- Interpreters and Readers
- Test Taking Accommodations
- Learning Disabilities Services: use of a calculator when mathematical disability is severe, use of dictionary/spell checker for essay exams; tape recording of lectures; books on tape or e-text
- Accommodations for exams



## **Other TRIO benefits:**

- Transfer Information and Assistance
- Priority Registration
- Provide students regular and ongoing Academic Advisor/Counseling in order to guide students through their educational goals
- Monitor student's academic progress to see if other academic services are needed
- Provide educational workshops throughout the year

## Who qualifies for TRIO?

- 1) Students with a verified disability
- 2) Need for academic support services
- 3) Enrolled as student of Palo Verde College (Main Campus)
- 4) U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident
- 5) First Generation or low income
- 6) Plan to complete an Associates Degree
- 7) California Resident



