

Wichita State University sponsors the largest, most comprehensive TRIO community of any college or university in the state for 46 years.

TRIO is a set of nine federally funded college opportunity programs that motivate and support students in pursuit of higher education.

It began as part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's Higher Education Act of 1965 college access and retention programs that were founded in the 1960s. Today, those programs provide such services as academic tutoring, personal counseling, mentoring and financial guidance.

The family of programs under the TRIO umbrella at WSU includes:

- Communication Upward Bound
- Disability Support Services
- Educational Opportunity Centers Program
- Educational Talent Search/Project Discovery
- McNair Scholars Program, Student Support Services
- Upward Bound Math/Sciences
- Upward Bound Wichita Prep
- Veterans Upward Bound

Nationally, TRIO serves more than 850,000 students from sixth grade through college in more than 2,800 programs. Locally, TRIO serves more than 2,700 students each year.