

TRIO Student Support Services



Student Support Services is one of the eight federally-funded TRIO grant programs, distributed to institutions through a competitive grant competition, sponsored by the Department of Education.

Funds are awarded to institutions of higher education to provide opportunities for academic development, to assist students with basic college requirements, and to motivate students toward the successful completion of their post-secondary education.

Craven Community College's program is funded to assist 186 qualified and deserving program eligible students. The goal of TRIO Student Support Services is to help students successfully transition into college and progress to graduation and/or transfer.

Assistance to program participants is provided through a number of free one-on-one and group services. Student Support Services offers:

- Academic tutoring
- Advice and assistance in post-secondary course selection
- Information on the full range of financial aid programs, benefits, and resources for locating public and private scholarships
- Assistance in completing financial aid applications,
- Education or counseling services designed to improve financial and economic literacy,
- Assistance for students enrolled in two-year institutions and applying for admission to, and obtaining financial assistance for, enrollment in four-year programs.

Additionally, TRIO Student Support Services can provide:

- Individualized counseling for personal, career, and academic matters provided by assigned counselors,
- Information, activities, and instruction designed to acquaint students participating in the project with the range of career options available to them
- Exposure to cultural events and academic programs

Eligibility for TRIO Student Support Services is determined by federal regulations. To qualify, a student must be a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident and meet **one** of the following criteria:

- Be a first-generation college student (neither parent has a bachelor's degree), and/or
- Low income (meet federal income guidelines), and/or
- Have a documented disability

Student Support Services is located on the New Bern Campus in Ward Hall, Room 117. For additional information, contact 252-638-1236.

TRIO Student Support Services Office Hours (New Bern)	
<i>Fall and Spring</i>	
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
<i>Summer</i>	
Monday-Thursday	8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Friday	Closed