

TRIO Student Support Services and Upward Bound

TRIO Student Support Services

TRIO Student Support Services (<https://www.apu.edu/academic-success/trio/>) provides opportunities for academic development to motivate students who demonstrate academic need toward successful completion of postsecondary education. Services are available for first-generation students, those from low-income families, and those with disabilities requiring learning accommodations. Through the following services, the program aims to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants:

- Provides individualized academic coaching and priority registration
- Facilitates connections with peer mentors
- Aids in professional development and leadership opportunities
- Offers grant aid to eligible participants
- Exposes students to cultural events and specialized academic programs
- Offers career counseling, career exploration workshops, and assessments
- Provides academic tutoring and supplemental instruction
- Identifies and shares resources to promote financial literacy and minimize student debt

TRIO Upward Bound

TRIO Upward Bound (<https://www.apu.edu/academic-success/upward-bound/>) (UB) offers holistic programming to potential first-generation students from Azusa High School with the purpose of motivating and equipping participants with the skills to graduate high school and complete a program of postsecondary education. To achieve its mission, UB offers the following services:

- Academic tutoring services to support participant completion of A-G coursework
- Individual academic coaching centered on conversations regarding course selection, college admission requirements, financial aid options, and personal, educational, and career goals
- Preparation for college entrance exams and state assessments
- Student development workshops relating to financial aid, financial literacy, career exploration, college applications, study skills, time management, and self-advocacy
- Exposure to college campuses and cultural events throughout the year
- Informational meetings for participant guardians on postsecondary education options, college admission requirements, financial aid, and the first-generation experience
- Six-week summer academic enrichment courses in English, math, science, and a foreign language, as well as recreational and personal development activities, to prepare them for the rigors of college