Services Provided

- Academic, financial, and career counseling including guidance on entry or re-entry to secondary or postsecondary programs
- Career exploration and aptitude assessment
- Connections to tutorial services
- Information on postsecondary education
- Visitation to college campuses
- Information on student financial assistance
- Assistance in completing college admissions and financial aid participants
- Assistance in preparing for college entrance exams
- Financial literacy
- Workshops for the families of participants
- Service learning
- Ambassador Leadership Program

History of Programs

TRIO began with Upward Bound, which emerged out of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964 in response to President Lyndon Johnson’s War on Poverty. In 1965, Talent Search, was created as part of the Higher Education Act. In 1968, Student Support Services was authorized by the higher education amendments and became the third in a series of educational opportunity programs. By the late 1960’s, the term “TRIO” was coined to describe these federal programs. The Higher Education Amendments of 1972 added the fourth program to the TRIO group by authorizing the Educational Opportunity Centers. The 1976 Education Amendments authorized the Training Program for Federal TRIO Programs. Amendments in 1986 added the sixth program, the Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement Program. Additionally, in 1990, the Department created the Upward Bound Math/Science Program to address the need for specific instruction in the fields of math and science. The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 authorized the TRIO Dissemination Partnership Program to encourage the replication of successful practices of TRIO programs.

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TRIO Programs

The TRIO Programs have served the Idaho Treasure Valley for over 29 years. The Federal TRIO Programs are educational opportunity programs designed to motivate and support students who have a limited income, and are first-generation college students (neither parent has complete a bachelors degree), to progress through the academic pipeline from elementary school through college level programs. The TRIO Programs are housed at Boise State University in the College of Education—Center for Multicultural and Educational Opportunities.

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TRIO Upward Bound

TRIO Upward Bound (UB) provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in pre-college performance and ultimately in higher education pursuits. The BSU UB program provides daily academic instruction to 260 students at Nampa, Caldwell, Owyhee, Rimrock, Capital, Borah, and Meridian High Schools. Students also participate in a six-week residential summer program on the BSU campus. The program provides academic instruction in various subjects, college preparation, career exploration, and college visits. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants enroll in and graduate for institutions of postsecondary education.

TRIO Educational Talent Search

The TRIO Educational Talent Search (ETS) program identifies and assists individuals who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to the postsecondary school of their choice. ETS also provides visits to college and universities to acquaint students with the opportunities available to them. The goal of ETS is to increase the number of youth from disadvantaged backgrounds who complete high school and enroll in the postsecondary education institution of their choice. The BSU ETS programs provide services at 20 schools students in the Treasure Valley.

For more information about TRIO, please visit any of the following websites:

BSU TRIO Educational Talent Search and Upward Bound Programs:
http://education.boisestate.edu/trio

The Council for Opportunity in Education:
http://www.coenet.us

US Department of Education Federal TRIO Programs:
http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/index.html