

## Student Support Services

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The TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) Program at Wichita State University (WSU) is funded by the U.S. Department of Education to serve college students from first-generation and limited income backgrounds as well as students with disabilities.

The program provides free academic support services to help students successfully persist and graduate from WSU with a bachelor's degree. Services provided by SSS include individualized tutoring, academic success skills development, assistance with FAFSA submission, academic advisement and counseling, scholarships, career exploration, and graduate school advising.

Program staff include a director, assistant director, database specialist, advisor, administrative assistant, student assistants, and tutors. SSS has provided free academic support services to 250 students annually at WSU, since 1970.

## 2017-2018 Highlights

- Served 256 students
- 74% of the program participants persisted in Fall 2017
- 94% maintained good academic standing (GPA of 2.0 or higher)
- 83% program participants earned a cumulative 2.5 GPA or higher
- 55% program participants earned a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher
- 43% of 2012-13 program cohort earned bachelor's degrees within six years

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