

TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers

What are the TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers?



The TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers are funded by the U.S. Department of Education. We are a Title IV program locally sponsored by the Higher Education Consortium of Metropolitan St. Louis, a nonprofit organization. We serve over 7000 people each year and **all of our services are provided at no cost to participants.**

The TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers offer services in both Illinois and Missouri. Program participants must be 19 years of age or older (they can be less than 19 if they cannot be served by an Educational Talent Search program) and must be a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or eligible non-citizen.

The TRIO Educational Opportunity Centers offer the community the following programs and services:

The HiSET/GED Tutoring Center

- Program caters to the needs of adult students
- Instruction is one-on-one with students
- Participants are assessed to evaluate their reading comprehension and mathematical skill level
- Individual learning plans are developed for the students
- Students have the opportunity to experience hands-on learning activities
- Tutoring services are also available in the following subject areas: language arts, reading, mathematics, science, computer skills, job readiness, workplace & life skills



EOC 360 Next Steps College Access Workshop Series

- Just for me: Understanding School Choice
- Let the Journey Begin
- Thriving and Striving the First Year and Beyond
Student Rights & Responsibilities
- Defeating Default: Taking Control of Your Student Loan Debt
- College to Career: How to Successfully Transition from the Classroom to Your Career



EOC 360 College Access Services



- **College Selection** – identify and compare college choices
- **Career Exploration** – evaluate career goals and values, and explore associated college majors
- **Financial Aid Application Completion** – assist students with completing and submitting financial aid forms such as FAFSA applications and promissory notes
- **College Admissions Application Completion** – assist students with completing and submitting college admissions applications (some students may qualify for college application fee waivers)