

Spring 2013

# TRiO SSS

TRiO Works!

## Welcome Back!

Your TRiO family hopes you had a relaxing Spring Break, and we're glad to have you back!

For some of you, this means your last semester, last spring break, last all-nighters, and last late night coffee runs. For some of you, this means moving on to the next chapter in your academic lives.

We want to thank every one of you for making TRiO SSS special. We have seen you grow and overcome obstacles throughout your years at UIW. We hope our services to you have rendered invaluable support towards your path to graduation, our ultimate goal for YOU!

For those who are still on the journey towards a degree, hang in there! Cherish the small moments at UIW. If that means having to rush to catch the shuttle bus, only to find your 7:30 am class cancelled, then so be it. College is a time for you to develop your individuality, and pave the way for your future.

As the great President Abraham Lincoln said, "Whatever you are, be a good one."

Good luck!

- TRiO SSS Staff

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

<b>March 22nd</b>	<i>Laser Quest- Mentor/ Mentee Teambuilding Activity</i>	Learn & improve valuable team-work skills.	TBD	1:00-4:30 pm
<b>April 3rd</b>	<i>TRiO Senior Seminar</i>	What's the next step? How do I prepare for graduation?	TRiO Lab	12:00 pm
<b>April 4th</b>	<i>TRiO Senior Seminar</i>	What's the next step? How do I prepare for graduation?	TRiO Lab	3:00 pm
<b>April 16th</b>	<i>Stress Management</i>	How well do you handle stress?	TRiO Lab	3:30 pm
<b>April 22nd</b>	<i>Goal Setting</i>	What are your short and long term goals? How can I accomplish them?	TRiO Lab	2:30 pm
<b>April 29th</b>	<i>Understanding your Bill</i>	What exactly am I paying for? Don't wait, find out!	TRiO Lab	3:30 pm
<b>May 9th</b>	<i>TRiO Awards Ceremony</i>	Celebrate your hard work and our graduates on this special evening!	TBD	5:30 pm

Dates & times are subject to change.

SSS is 100% funded by the Department of Education from 2010-2015 to serve 200 students.



TRiO @ SMU University in Dallas.



Formal dinner before watching a Broadway production.



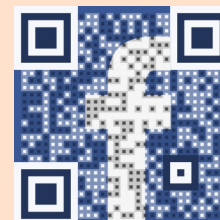
TRiO exploring downtown Dallas.

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

New Program Leader.....	2
Fall 2012 Recap.....	2
Fall 2012 Graduates.....	2
TRiO @ the Majestic Theatre .	3
.....	3
Spring Reminder Dates.....	3
Dean's List.....	3
Brain Teasers .....	4
Tutor's Corner.....	4

**Don't forget to check us out on Facebook!**

**Scan me!**





## MEET OUR NEW PROGRAM LEADER!

I am honored to be your new Program Leader for TRiO SSS!

I want to thank everyone for making me feel welcomed and at home. I truly appreciate it!

As a recent UIW and TRiO SSS alumna, I am excited to see each and every one of you prosper and GRADUATE! The journey may be difficult, but know that TRiO is here for you.

### Favorites:

Color: Yellow

Food: Chinese

TV show: The Walking Dead, Will & Grace, Downton Abbey

Hobby: Photography

Quote: "Life is a series of collisions with the future; it is not the sum of what we have been, but what we yearn to be." -

Jose Ortega y Gasset

*"You've got to follow your **passion**. You've got to figure out what it is you love—who you really are. And have the **courage** to do that. I believe that the only courage anybody ever needs is the courage to follow your own **dreams**."*

*-Oprah Winfrey, Upward Bound, talk show host, author, and journalist*

## FALL 2012 GRADUATES

TRiO WISHES YOU THE BEST OF LUCK!



Yesenia Caloca

Abigail Carrillo

Lisa Castillo

Lisette Chavez

Devon Contreras

Eugenia Everitt

Marcus Garcia

Patricia Garcia

Felicia Gomez

Travis Gotthardt

Alexandria Guerra

Jian Lin

Alfonso Pagaza Garcia

Morgan Ruble

Shannon Samples

## FALL 2012 RECAP

### Fall 2012 TRiO Graduate Trip

This past October, TRiO SSS took 24 students on a college graduate tour.

Students got to visit and meet representatives from UT Austin, Baylor University, Southern Methodist University, and the University of North Texas. Not only did they get to explore different campuses and ask questions, but they also broadened their horizons by considering graduate school.

Apart from the academics, students immersed themselves in Dallas culture. Participants enjoyed watching a Broadway production of "The Addams Family" play, and went back in time to The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza- remembering JFK's tragic assassination.



Our **Fall Reunion Kickoff** reunited new and current TRiO participants in this special evening. The 2012 Summer Bridge Cohort, mentors, and graduates were amongst the students commemorated.

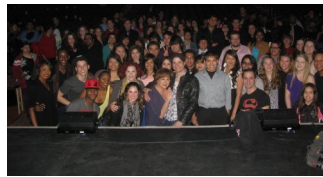
Students enjoyed snacks and a Halloween themed movie to celebrate this spooky holiday at our **TRiO Halloween Potluck**.

A group of TRiO students participated in **UIW's President's Spaghetti Dinner**, where faculty and staff served students a delicious plate of spaghetti- Dr. Agnese's special recipe.

# "Memphis the Musical"



Left: Students wait outside the Majestic Theatre to watch the award-winning musical, Memphis.



## The Majestic Theatre

Right: A special talk back with the cast of Memphis.

### TRIO EXPLORES THE 50'S

A group of TRiO students witnessed a magical and energetic play, "Memphis the Musical," at the grand Majestic Theatre. For most students, this was the first time visiting this historical landmark.

Set in the 1950's, Memphis explores racial inequality, new technology such as radio and TV, with a twist of romance. Based on actual events, the play follows the journey of Huey, an aspiring white radio DJ, and Felicia, a singer. Together they try to overcome obstacles that keep them from reaching their dreams. Filled with rock n' roll and vivacious dancing, Memphis took us back in time.

Students got to experience theatre culture, from the set designs, costumes, hair and make up, to a special "talk back Q+A" with the cast of Memphis. Our TRiO students were amongst several schools from all over the state who participated in this exclusive dialogue.

### SPRING REMINDER DATES

**March 28th– April 1st:** Holy Week & Easter Holidays

**March 29th:** Good Friday (No Classes)

**April 25th:** Online Registration for Undergrads Begins (Summer/Fall 2013)

**April 25th:** Last Day to drop with a "W"

**April 26th:** Fiesta Battle of Flowers (UIW closes at noon)

**May 1st:** Last day to apply for Dec. 2013 graduation w/out late fee

**May 4th:** Last day of classes

**May 6th-11th:** Final Exams Week

**May 10th:** Commencement (Congratulations!)

### CONGRATULATIONS, YOU MADE THE DEAN'S LIST!



Judith Arriaza

Angela Banda

Ashley Brandt

Yesenia Caloca

Marlene Cantu

Marissa Carreon

Angel Cruz

Kenneth Dewitt

Aaron Garcia

Veronica Garcia

Jenny Gomez

Cristal Gonzalez

Amanda Hackett

Alejandro Hernandez

Serafin Ibarra

Calvin Irby

Kathryn Laskowski

Katherine Llewellyn

Chelsey McCormick

Lauren McDonald

Kevin Medrano

Madalyn Mendoza

Marcos Mora

Mercedes Moreno

Theresa Newsome-Garrard

Alfonso Pagaza Garcia

Anjli Patel

Destiny Rangel

Aleck Rios

Denise Rodriguez

Jairo Rodriguez

Shannon Samples

Megan Sotello

Caira Spenrath

Itzel Valenzuela

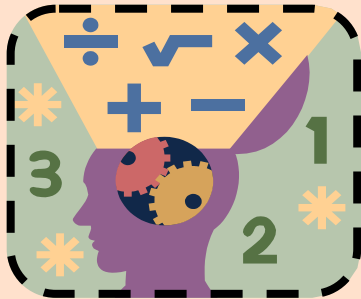
Christopher Vargas

Marci West

Amy Zepeda

## BRAIN TEASERS

1. What seven-letter word has hundreds of letters in it?
2. Rearrange the letters in the words "new door" to make one word.
3. What is at the beginning of eternity, end of space and time, is the beginning to every end and the end to every place?

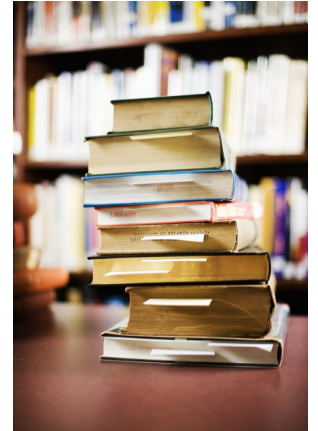


1. Mailbox
2. New door = one word (rearrange letters)
3. The letter "e"

## TUTOR'S CORNER

*TIPS & TRICKS FROM OUR TUTORS ON  
HOW TO BE AN EFFICIENT LEARNER*

1. **REVIEW** notes within 30 minutes or within the same day of finishing your class. This is very important in order to keep the concepts and new materials fresh in your mind. (Carmen Cortazar, Senior)
2. **PRIORITIZE** homework assignments and projects! Write and plan out everything you need to do for the week in your planner or calendar. (Yessenia Velazquez, Sophomore)
3. **DO** the homework! Complete all of the assignments, and sometimes those not assigned. This builds repetition, which solidifies concepts. (Carmen Cortazar, Senior)
4. **STUDY** in different environments. Try outdoors in a park, in the library, or at a coffee shop. Variety is good! (Yessenia Velazquez, Sophomore)



**Don't forget to check us  
out on Twitter!**



**Scan me!**

**TRiO Student Support Services  
University of the Incarnate Word  
4301 Broadway CPO #28  
San Antonio, TX 78209**

**OFFICE: 210-805-5812  
FAX: 210-805-5895**