

**TRIO Student Support Services – Disabilities (SSS-D)  
Participant Application  
(Please Print Legibly)**

**Eligibility**

TRIO Student Support Services - Disabilities is a U.S. Department of Education federally funded program that serves **undergraduate** college students with a demonstrated academic need.

You may be eligible to receive TRIO SSS-D program services if you are actively receiving accommodations through *Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD)* on campus and identify as **one or more of the following**:

- A student with a long-term disability.
- A first-generation college student.
- A low-income college student.

**Student Information**

**Last Name:**

**First Name:**

**Address:**

**City:**

**Cell Phone:**

**Date of Birth** (mm/dd/yyyy):

**Gender:** Male Female Other:

**Fresno State Email:**

@mail.fresnostate.edu

**Middle Initial:**

**Preferred Name:**

**Apt/Unit:**

**Zip Code:**

**Alternative Phone:**

**Student ID #:**

**Pronouns:**

**Alternative Email:**

**Ethnic Group Identity**

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| 1. More than one – Multi-Racial (Please select all that apply) | 5. Black or African American   |
| 2. Hispanic or Latino  | 6. White                       |
| 3. American Indian/Alaskan Native                              | 7. Native Hawaiian or Islander |
| 4. Asian   |                                |

## Undergraduate Degree Information

**Major:**

**Minor:**

**Current GPA:**

**Expected Graduation Date:**

**Have you ever been placed on academic probation?**

Yes    No

**Previous College(s) Attended:**

| Current Class Level (Units Completed) |                          |                       |                           |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Freshman<br>0-29 Units                | Sophomore<br>30-59 Units | Junior<br>60-89 Units | Senior<br>90+ Units       |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> year Freshman         | Sophomore                | Junior                | Senior<br>Number of Units |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> year Freshman         |                          |                       |                           |

## Eligibility Background Information

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| <b>1.</b> Did either of your parents/legal guardians receive a bachelor's degree?   | Yes | No |
| <b>a.</b> If yes, did you regularly live/receive support from your parents/legal guardians' who graduated with a bachelor's degree? | Yes | No |

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| <b>2.</b> Are you registered with Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) at Fresno State? | Yes | No |
| <b>a.</b> If Yes – Are you a student with a disability requiring accommodations?                 | Yes | No |
| <b>b.</b> If Yes – Who is your Access Specialist?  |     |    |

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| <b>3.</b> Are you a former <b>Foster Youth, Ward of the State, or Housing Insecure?</b> | Yes | No |
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| <b>4.</b> Are you a Single Parent with dependent children under 18 years old? | Yes | No |
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| <b>5.</b> Have you served on active duty in the <b>U.S. Military Service?</b> | Yes | No |
| <b>a.</b> Veteran?  | Yes | No |
| <b>b.</b> Disabled Veteran?   | Yes | No |

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| <b>6.</b> Have you been out of college for five or more years? | Yes | No |
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| <b>7.</b> Have you been an undergraduate for more than seven years? | Yes | No |
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- 8.** Have you participated in any of the following support programs?

|      |                           |                                       |
|------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| EOPS | Upward Bound              | Disability Service at previous school |
| TRIO | Educational Talent Search | Department of Rehabilitation          |

Other College Programs (Please List):

- 9.** Please select the academic need that best applies.

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| Lack of academic preparedness for college-level work | Lack of educational and/or career goals                           |
| Low high school grades                               | Out of academic pipeline for 5+ years                             |
| Low admissions test scores                           | Need for academic support to raise grade(s) in required course(s) |
| GPA below 2.0  |   |

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## Financial Aid Information

### Check All That Apply to You:

- I am **Eligible** for Federal Financial Aid.
- I am **Not** eligible for Federal Financial Aid.
- I **Completed** the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- I did not apply for Federal Financial Aid.
- I plan to submit my Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

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## Family Income Status

When filing income taxes, do you consider yourself an Independent or Dependent Student?

**(Select one):**

**Independent Student** – a student is considered independent if they are 24 years or older, married, a veteran, is/was a foster child or a ward of the court, or has a child that is financially dependent on them (Must meet at least one of the above criteria).

- Please submit your and your spouse's (if applicable) **most recent** 1040 Income Tax Return.

**Dependent Student** – A student is considered dependent if they are under 24 years old and do not meet any of the criteria to be considered an independent student.

- Please submit your and/or your parents/legal guardians' **most recent** 1040 Income Tax Return.

Get your transcript online from the IRS website, [Get Your Tax Record](#).

**Please fill out the information below based on your most recent 1040 Federal Income Tax Return.**

Household Size (including yourself):

*The U.S. Department of Education Federally funds TRIO SSS-D.*

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## Photo Release

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I hereby agree to release, defend, and hold harmless TRIO SSS-D on behalf of California State University, Fresno, and its agents or employees, including any firm publishing and/or distributing the finished product in whole or in part, whether on paper or via electronic media, from and against any claims, damages or liability arising from or related to the use of the photographs, including but not limited to any misuse, distortion, blurring, alteration, optical illusion or use in composite form, either intentionally or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in taking, processing, reduction or production of the finished product, its publication or distribution.

I am 18 years of age or older, and I am competent to contract in my own name. I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning, and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release.

**Use Both Name & Photo.**

**Use Neither Name & Photo.**

**Signature:**

**Date:**

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## Confidential Policy and Release of Information

Information provided to the TRIO Student Support Services – Disabilities (SSS-D) Program regarding a student’s academic work is considered confidential. No information about a student is released to any on/off campus individual/agency without the student’s written consent.

To work effectively with students, TRIO SSS-D may need to share information with and/or obtain information from other Fresno State departments, instructors, and other professionals who have a legitimate educational need to know. When it is necessary and appropriate to discuss your educational situation with other Fresno State employees and off-campus agency individuals, they will be reminded of their obligation to keep this information confidential as mandated by FERPA (Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974). This may include but is not limited to: Accessibility Services, Student Health and Counseling Services, Academic Advising and Career Education, WorkAbility IV Program, and California Department of Rehabilitation. Only information that TRIO SSS-D deems appropriate is released, and only for the following reasons:

- To assess a student’s need for TRIO SSS-D services.
- To provide appropriate TRIO SSS-D services.
- To advocate (when requested) on a student’s behalf requirements.
- To comply with University/CSU and TRIO SSS-D reporting.

I understand that I have a right to receive a copy of this authorization upon my request. I authorize TRIO SSS-D to share information about me under the conditions outlined above. I understand that this authorization becomes effective immediately. It shall automatically terminate upon graduation from Fresno State or when I am no longer registered at Fresno State. A photocopy of this form is as valid as the original.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

## Required Supporting Documentation

**Program participation is contingent upon submitting the following appropriate documents.**

**Your application will not be reviewed unless all appropriate documents are turned in when applying:**

1. Submit a copy of your Unofficial Fresno State Transcript.
2. Submit a one-page Personal Statement stating why you are applying for TRIO SSS-D. Please make sure to comment on your academic and professional goals, expectations of the program, the benefits you hope to receive, and what commitment(s) you are willing to make. Please reach out to our office if you would like to be provided with our program brochures. You can find more program information by visiting the [TRIO SSS-D Website](#).
3. Submit proof of income. Please refer to “Family Income Status” to see what you will need to submit. \*If taxes were not filed, please submit the most recent W-2s from the appropriate individual(s) along with an IRS Verification of Non-Filing Letter.

## Annual TRIO SSS-D Participant Agreement

As a TRIO SSS-D program participant, I understand that each academic year, I will need to renew my program participation. I understand my program requirements depend on my class level, as shown on the **TRIO SSS-D Webpage: [Student Responsibilities Information](#)**.

I certify that all the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide further documentation to verify the information reported.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

You may email your TRIO SSS-D application (excluding tax information) or bring your application with supporting documentation to: **TRIO Student Support Services - Disabilities**

California State University, Fresno  
University Library, Room 1202  
5200 N. Barton Ave. M/S UL 125  
Fresno, CA 93740

**Phone: (559) 278-2073**

**Email: [trio\\_sssd@mail.fresnostate.edu](mailto:trio_sssd@mail.fresnostate.edu)**

**Website: <https://studentaffairs.fresnostate.edu/sssd/>**



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