



# Student Support Services TRIO Newsletter

## Welcome Back, TRIO students!



Beautiful skyline views while walking from the Modern Wing of the Art Institute.

### Contact your SSS TRIO Advisor if you need to:

- borrow a **calculator** for the semester.
- borrow a **laptop** for a week.
- see if you're eligible for a **tuition waiver (free tuition)** for certain college success courses or select introductory computer classes.
- schedule individualized **math tutoring** appointments.
- go over your educational/**academic plan** and **transfer information** while at Oakton.
- discuss **any questions or concerns** related to your academic or personal goals.
- pick up your **FREE planner/assignment notebook**.
- sign up for **FREE workshops and events**.
- **complete financial aid forms** (Act now! Yes, you could still do this!)

**What did you do this summer?** Oakton's SSS TRIO Advisors have seen students throughout summer semester for advising and events. If you have not checked in lately, please do so soon. We look forward to hearing from you (see "Staff Hours" page 2).

This summer, we attended a customized group visit to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, visited the Art Institute of Chicago and held our first and successful, "TRIO Tune-Up."

After seeing the latest

addition to the Art Institute, the new Modern Wing, we visited exhibits on the "must-see" list.

By mid-August, SSS TRIO invited Oakton professors of speech and theater, John Frisco and Patti Interrante to facilitate the fun and energetic, "Spect-actors" workshop, acting out scenes of victimization, then rewriting and re-acting more empowered versions.

SSS TRIO Advisors also facilitated break-out sessions where students chose among three workshops: "The Organized Student," "Time

Management from the Inside Out," and "Oakton Degree Requirements."

Says student, Maria, "The Tune-Up provided a relaxing environment. Not only did we learn about ourselves, we learned about each other and being part of a group."

SSS TRIO will host **more events:** cultural, college/university visits, workshops and fun activities this fall semester—all FREE to SSS TRIO students. **Be sure to look out for email notifications and reminders from your TRIO Advisor.**

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## Photo Gallery: Summer Highlights



Oh, the fun we had this summer!

Top left: SSS TRIO annual visit to UIUC; met with admissions, engineering and molecular and cell biology departments.



Top right: Cultural event trip to Art Institute of Chicago. The Modern Wing is in the background.

Bottom left and right: Getting in touch with our creative, inner actors at "TRIO Tune Up."



