

TRIO SSS SPRING 2024 NEWSLETTER



Director's Message

Every semester, TRIO SSS offers a variety of cultural events and volunteer activities. Students who attend these events always express how much fun they had. Many come back to participate again and again! Research shows that these opportunities contribute to higher levels of persistence and graduation rates among our participants.

Over the years, TRIO SSS students have enjoyed events such as:

- Live theatre at many locations in San Diego County and beyond
- Dance performances and lessons
- Museum exhibitions
- Arts and Lectures at CSUSM
- Bowling
- Basketball game at CSUSM
- Safari Park



we have also given back to the community through volunteer events such as:

- Elizabeth Hospice
- Food banks
- Habitat for Humanity
- Ivey Ranch Park beautification projects
- And more!

Besides having a great time, these events have also provided students with opportunities to:

- Create community and lifelong friendships within the TRIO family!
- Earn college credit.
- Explore collaborations with other programs.
- Learn about cultures other than their own..
- Expand their personal and professional networks.

As we continue to share these opportunities our goal will always be to look for new and exciting things that will add to the holistic experiences.

Heather Northway



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TRIO SSS Welcome Days

TRIO SSS Staff and students were happy to welcome the new TRIO SSS Scholars. We were excited to spend two days building community among each other. Welcome Days hosted a variety of workshops to help incoming freshmen and transfer students become aware of all the amazing resources they have here as TRIO SSS students at CSUSM.



Perfect Crime

TRIO SSS Students had a mysterious night as they attended this cat-and-mouse thriller, called “Perfect Crime” based on one of off-Broadway's longest-running hits. Margaret Thorne Brent, psychiatrist and author, has returned to America with her husband, also a psychiatrist, and settled in an affluent Connecticut community where at least one murder has taken place. The play was full of mystery as we tried to put the puzzle pieces together, revealing a shocking ending. It was a great way to start our Fall semester.



Detroit '67

TRIO SSS Scholars got the opportunity to show support to CSUSM Theatre students by attending their show “Detroit’67.” It was amazing to see all the hard work these CSUSM students put into this play. The play was focused on the Detroit 1967 riots and showed how black residents were the ones most targeted in these confrontations with the Detroit police department.



Fall 2023 One Unit Course

The Fall TRIO SSS one-unit class focused on play readings and how essential they were to finalize a live performance. TRIO SSS Scholars got to experience the process that takes place and how they are different from attending an actual finalized play. TRIO SSS Scholars attending the La Jolla Latinx Festival experienced the show called “Manning”, a play that focuses on how men have a difficult time expressing their grief after the loss of a loved one.



FALL 2023 DEANS LIST

CONGRATULATIONS to the following students who have earned a GPA of 3.5 or higher in the Fall 2023 semester!

Abdisalan, Suad	Jimenez, Viviana	Refugio, Daisy
Abraham, Juliana	Lopez, Alexa	Reyes, Mayra
Acevedo-Davila, David	Lopez, Naithan	Rodriguez Sanchez, Joanna
Aguilar, Alma	Lopez, Oscar	Ruiz Machado, Nancy
Alcaraz, Rosalba	Luciano, Jazzlyn	Salazar, Frances
Alonso, Kevin	Lugo, Mireya	Salazar, Jonathan
Bautista, Mariela	Luna, Cindy	Salmon, Sarah
Beltran, Betsy	Mahoney, Shannon	Segovia, Emma
Birbilis, Cristos	Martinez, Janesa	Sessions, Amira
Bocarski, Milan	Martinez, Sarai	Simms, Coral
Bonilla, Kayla	Martinez, Xandra	Smith, Leo
Camacho, Isabel	Martinez Dominguez, Janet	Soto Gonzalez, Guadalupe
Cazares, Venus	Martinez Perez, Anahi	Tran, Minh
Cedillo, Isai	Martinez-Perez, Efrain	Turner, Yong
Chanabua, Warisara	Mcdaniel, Pamela	Umali, Jezie
Concepcion, Alexander	Medina, Regina	Ward, Shelby
Corona, Fermin	Mendivel, Maurizio	Wood, Carsyn
Cortes, Marisol	Michel, Arturo	Wright, Pamela
Cortez, Sandra	Miguel, Domingo	Yanez, Sabrina
Cruz, Lupe	Mosqueda Perez, Cecilia	
De Haro, Daniel	Najera, Odalys	
De La Rosa, Monica	Nevoso, Lizzie	
Franco, Esbeidy	Nguyen, Kendra	
Garcia, Alyssa	Nieblas, Natalie	
Garcia, Anais	Oceguera, Alondra	
Garcia Sanchez, Sarah	Olvera, Yanet	
Gil, Natalie	Oropeza, Alexis	
Gomez, Joel	Ortega, Oliver	
Gomez Ruiz, Valeria	Pena, Wendy	
Hamer, Mary	Perez, Allana	
Hernandez, Adam	Perez, Ashley	
Hernandez, Brenda	Pierce, Caylee	
Hernandez, Renee	Powell, Savana	
Hernandez, Tania	Ramirez, Blandy	
Hoxey, Brian	Ramirez Gonzalez, Karina	
Huerta Osuna, Karen	Razo, Yesenia	
Hunt, Nicholas		
Jaimes Flores, Paula		

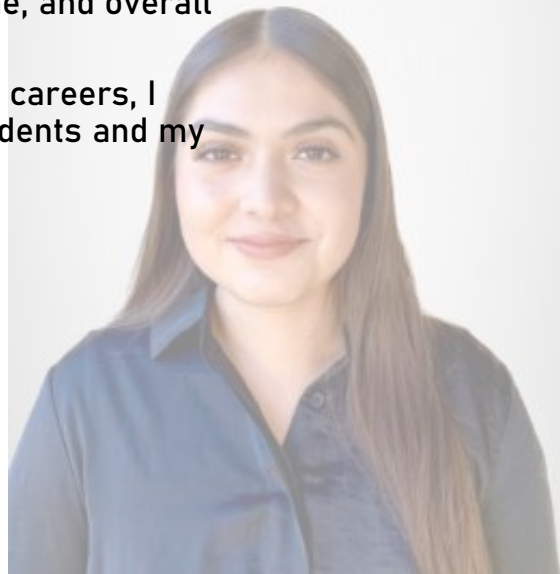
TRIO SSS SPOTLIGHT

Alma Aguilar is in her second year as a Peer Mentor for TRIO SSS. In this role, Alma supports students with their academic and social direction. She also guides students with tips on how to study, how to build their resume, seek internships or networking opportunities. She has found that students sometimes come to her for advice on what to do with certain situations in their lives, outside of their academics. Being a resource and support system for students is something she truly enjoys as she feels a sense of satisfaction when she can offer different solutions to students and earn their trust. Alma also likes engaging with students at events out of the office and always greets students with a warm smile and “hello”.

Currently in her junior year and majoring in business administration with a concentration in finance, Alma has shared with us that she would like to go into the educational administration field or the healthcare administration field after graduation. Her wide range of experience has helped Alma discover that she enjoys helping students and people in general. She has a goal of finding a career within education or healthcare as she sees those fields as a way to use her skills and passion for helping others on a day-to-day basis.

In her free time, Alma enjoys dancing ballet folklórico with the Ballet Folklórico de Fallbrook. She has been dancing since 2018 which has allowed her to perform throughout San Diego County; including the county fair. Being part of the group has allowed her to meet people of different ages, strengthen her discipline, and overall create many wonderful experiences.

Alma states, “As I continue my academic and personal careers, I hope to continue being a resource and support for students and my community.”



TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FALL 2023

DATE & TIME	TOPIC
9/7 KELLOGG 3010 12:00-12:50 PM	TRIO MEET & GREET
9/21 KELLOGG 3010 12:00-12:50 PM	PROCRASTINATION MONSTER
10/12 ZOOM 4:00 -5:00 PM	CONQUERING ACADEMIC STRESS & ANXIETY
10/26 KELLOGG 3010 12:00-12:50 PM	HAPPINESS & SUCCESS
11/2 ZOOM 6:00-7:00 PM	RECOMMENDATION LETTERS
11/16 ZOOM 4:30-5:30 PM	STRENGTHS FOR SUCCESS
11/30 ZOOM 6:00-7:00 PM	ENTREPRENEURSHIP
12/7 KELLOGG 3010 12:00 - 1:00 PM	TRIO HAPPY HOUR