Welcome!

It is great to get started on another school year. We are excited to serve you and to help you accomplish all of your academic goals. Graduation is right around the corner! Come in to see your counselor soon, before you know it finals week will be here. Contact us or just come by. OUR OFFICE: 419 Adams Hall, OUR PHONE NUMBER: 815 753-1142, OUR HOURS: 8:30am-4:30pm. Let's Talk!

TRiO Reclamation Project

Student Support Services is in the process of contacting all former students of the program who may not have completed their coursework for graduation. We want to offer support and resources that will allow them to re-enter the university. Academic, financial, and personal issues are all reasons students stop out of school. We want to alleviate some of the issues and help students get back on track. Please tell your friends and others about the support they can get through our Reclamation Project. Graduation is closer than you think. Call 815 753-1142 for more information.
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I want to take the time out of my busy schedule to welcome you all back from what I would hope was a well-rested summer break. I am very excited to be back working with you all this 2015/16 academic year. Also, if you are still trying to find something to be a part of this semester, Mentoring Valuable Peers (MVP) is still looking for mentors and mentees. If you are interested you can find me in Adams Hall Room 417. If you do not know how to reach me then it has been way too long since your last visit. Let’s see if you can find your way back to the office. Why, because we miss you. Again Welcome BACK!

Hello! Attending college as a first generation college student was an experience—to say the least! There were some hurdles that I was able to cruise over and others that caused me to stumble, but staying focused was the key to my success. While at Northern Illinois University, I majored in Political Science with a focus on Public Administration & Public service and vowed to take advantage of every opportunity given to me. I joined the University Honors program, Student Association, and studied abroad at Oxford University in the United Kingdom during my junior year! After returning from study abroad, I was able to go to New York for a graduate school tour with Student Support Services. Honestly, I only signed up because it was a free trip, but I wound up falling in LOVE with St. John’s University. I applied to one program and was accepted the very next month. On June 24, 2015, I graduated with a Master’s degree in Global Development & Social Justice. This program granted me the opportunity to spend two summers in Rome, Italy and a lifetime of great experiences. As the Program Coordinator for Student Support Services, it is my job to make sure you are using every resource that Northern Illinois University offers. I look forward to having another great year with Student Support Services.

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+ Student Government
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The TRIO Association
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Scholars (Formerly TRiO Scholars)  DaLisa Barnes, Advisor
Mentoring Valuable Peers (MVP)  LaBrian Carrington, Advisor
Disability Ally Association (DALLAS)  Tiffani Scott, Advisor
National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS)  Ramona Walton-Fykes, Advisor

In an effort to increase student flow every Wednesday is Waffle Wednesday at Student Support Services! (9am)