

TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2023-24



TRIO SSS will award a minimum of ten \$1,500.00 scholarships, and TRIO SSS STEM will award a minimum of four \$1,500.00 scholarships for the 2023-24 academic year.

- Scholarship applications and your essay are due by **11:59 pm Monday, December 19, 2022.**
- You will submit your application and essay by clicking this [electronic form](#).

Applications turned in after the deadline will not be accepted unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Eligibility Requirements

The following requirements below must be completed during the 2022-23 academic year:

- Current UW Oshkosh TRIO SSS or SSS STEM student, in your **first year** of participating in the TRIO SSS program)
- Enrolled in **12 or more credits each semester** (Fall 2022 and Spring 2023)
- Meet with your TRIO SSS/SSS STEM advisor during the 2022-23 academic year
Traditional TRIO SSS Students must meet with their TRIO SSS Advisor a minimum of 7 times
TRIO SSS STEM students must meet with their TRIO SSS STEM Advisor a minimum of 7 times
- Actively participated in your assigned Learning Group during the 2022-23 academic year
(Transfer or non-traditional students, please speak with your TRIO SSS/SSS STEM Advisor regarding this requirement)
- GPA 2.5 or higher as of August 31, 2023
- *Must be receiving Federal Pell Grant during the 2023-24 academic year

* Please note that this eligibility requirement will be verified, and students must be income eligible as defined by federal guidelines for TRIO SSS/SSS STEM programs.

Essay Instructions

For the SSS/STEM Scholarship Application, write an essay addressing the following prompts. The essay should be a maximum of 2 to 3 pages double spaced in length. Save your essay as a separate word document and upload it when submitting your application through the electronic form. We encourage students to use resources like the Writing Center when completing the essay. Please see the included rubric for how essays will be scored.

In your essay, please address the following:

- Why are you the best candidate to receive this scholarship and why is this scholarship important to you?

- Your career goals – if you are undecided, what strategies are you using to identify your career goal?
- Your academic goals for the 2022-23 year and your progress towards attaining them – examples: striving to earn a particular GPA, strengthening study skills, developing time management skills, attending Supplemental Instruction sessions, obtaining a tutor in a specific course(s), learning about campus resources, etc.
- Explain how TRIO SSS/SSS STEM has helped you transition to college. Include the role Learning Groups, and your SSS/SSS STEM advisor have played in your adjustment to college life.
- Identify a circumstance you overcame this semester and what you have learned

To Apply

Write a maximum of 2–3-page essay double spaced addressing the questions listed above. Save as a word document. Complete the electronic application through the link below and upload essay by 11:59pm, Monday, Dec. 19, 2022.

To complete the electronic form, use the following link: [APPLY NOW!](#)

PLEASE NOTE: If you are awarded a scholarship but do not continue to meet the criteria identified above during the Spring 2023 semester, the scholarship will be rescinded and awarded to a different TRIO SSS/SSS STEM student.

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- This scholarship is open to current UW Oshkosh TRIO SSS and SSS STEM students in their first year of participating in the TRIO SSS program.

Scholarship Scoring Rubric 30 points possible						Subtotal Score
I. Applicant meets minimum 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale for scholarship?						Yes or No
II. Student Writing Essay (no more than 2-3 pages, typed, double-spaced) – max. 25pts						
A. Discusses why they are the best candidate to receive this scholarship and why this scholarship is important to them	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	
B. Explains career goals and why they want to pursue this path. If undecided, shares what strategies they are using to identify career goals	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	
C. Clearly describes their academic goals for the 2022-2023 academic year and their progress towards attaining them (including resources if applicable)	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	
D. Explains how the TRIO SSS/SSS program has helped their transition to college. Includes the role of Learning Groups and the role TRIO SSS academic advisor has played in their adjustment to college life	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	
E. Clearly identifies any circumstance(s) they have overcome this semester and what they have learned	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	
III. Overall Assessment - max. 5 pts						
Overall Essay (essay is well written and organized, ideas are well-developed and clear, have few or no grammatical errors, and writing is in an essay format)	(5) Very Strong	(4) Strong	(3) Average	(2) Below Average	(1) Weak	

Total Points (Add I through III – maximum 30) _____