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Teacher Preparation Student Support Services

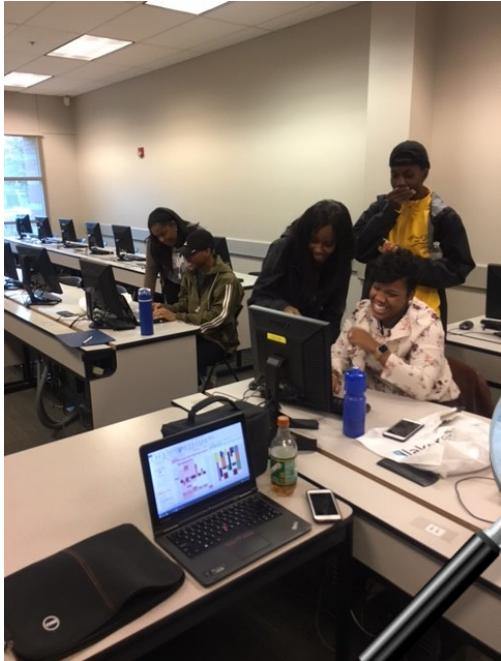
DECEMBER

happy holidays



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EVENT RECAPS



Scholarship Search Party

On Monday, November 6th, TRIO Teacher Prep participants joined to hunt for scholarships! TRIO members snacked and searched hard to find scholarships that best suited them and applied right on the spot. TRIO staff members worked right alongside them to find scholarships and answer any questions students might have. If you would like some assistance looking or applying for scholarships, please schedule an appointment with your TRIO advisor or meet with the Financial Aid office!

National First Generation Day

November 8th is National First Generation Day! Grand Valley's TRIO family all gathered together to enjoy a free breakfast and a celebration all about being first generation! Being first generation is so special and comes with unique experiences. Students and staff came together to celebrate and share those experiences. If you visit Student Support Services' social media, you can see some of the clips of students sharing their first-hand feelings and thoughts about being first generation!

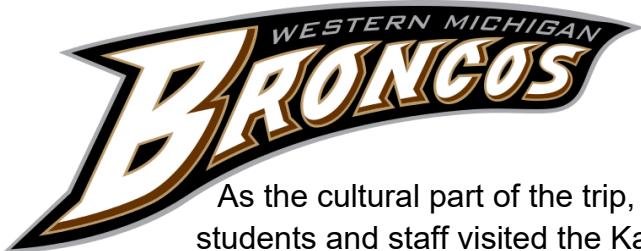


EDUCATIONAL/CULTURAL TRIP RECAP



Western Michigan University Graduate Trip

On Friday, November 10th, TRIO TPSSS participants and Program Advisor, Vanessa, traveled to Western Michigan University for a tour of the campus and educational buildings, and learned all about the many graduate programs in Education. WMU holds a special place in TPSSS's heart because it is our Program Director, Aliya's, alma mater!



As the cultural part of the trip, TPSSS students and staff visited the Kalamazoo Valley Museum! With fun interactives, special exhibits about social justice and history of oppression, and many other great exhibits, TRIO wrapped up a big day of exploring!



Students toured the new and beautiful Education building that houses many of the graduate programs and graduate professors.

TPSSS also toured the rest of campus, including the library, the Rare Books collection, and the student commons!



WELCOME NEW STUDENT WORKERS

LaJoya Fulton



We'd like to welcome LaJoya to TRIO Teacher Preparation as a new student worker AND as a new program participant! LaJoya joined TRIO TPSSS staff at the beginning of the Fall semester and has been working hard since!

LaJoya is a freshman Biology major here at Grand Valley State University. She enjoys kids and teaching them new things. While teaching secondary education is an option that she is interested in and definitely will explore further in the future, her main aspiration is to become a Veterinarian.

LaJoya understands education is power. Such as the power to educate those that are under-educated, and she intends on being an active participant in doing so.

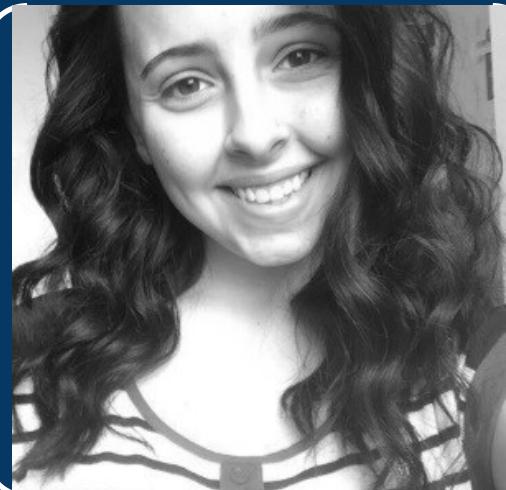
We are lucky to have LaJoya as a part of the TRIO team!

Hunter Binkley

TRIO Teacher Prep is also excited to welcome Hunter to the TRIO team as a student worker! She has been a TRIO participant for over a year and a student worker since the beginning of the semester.

Hunter is a sophomore here at Grand Valley. She is a double major in math and secondary education and a minor in psychology. She aspires to travel the world in the future. Hunter has a strong passion for helping children and young adults discover who they are and prepare for their future. Her goal upon graduating is to be a high school math teacher where she can begin to shape the lives of young students. Hunter hopes to have a positive impact on her students and looks forward to her future as an educator!

Hunter has proved to be a dedicated staff member and we're excited to have her on the TRIO team!



UPCOMING EVENTS

"CABERT" GVSU THEATRE

Date: Nov. 16th - Dec. 3rd

*Visit gvsu.edu/theatre for details!

A CAPPPELLA GROOVE CONCERT

Date: December 2nd

Time: 7:00PM

Location: Grand River Room

"CONVERSATIONS OF COLOR"

Date: December 6th

Time: 12:00PM

Location: Office of Multicultural Affairs

GVSU COMMENCEMENT

Date: December 9th

Time: 10:00AM

Location: Van Andel Arena

EXAM WEEK

Date: Dec. 11th - 15th

To find out your exam schedule, go to <http://www.gvsu.edu/registrar/academiccalendar.htm>

WINTER BREAK

Date: Dec. 18th - Jan. 7th

NO CLASSES

TPSSS Advising Appointments

ALLENDALE CAMPUS

Tuesdays & Thursdays

9:00am to 4:00pm
By Appointment

200 STU

616-331-6870

tpsss@gvsu.edu

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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For more Grand Valley Events, go to gvsu.edu/events

PEW CAMPUS

Monday-Friday

9:00am to 4:00pm
By Appointment

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616-331-6870

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SCHOLARSHIPS

[Fredrick Meijer Scholarship Opportunity](#)

Description: This scholarship was created to assist First Generation students who are the first in their family to pursue and earn a four-year degree.

Deadline: March 1st, 2018 **Amount:** Varies

[Unigo Monthly Scholarship](#)

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the United States who are currently enrolled in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning. Applicant must submit an online short written response (250 words or less) to the scholarship question.

Deadline: Last Day of the Month by 11:59PM EST **Amount:** \$5,000

[Chegg Monthly Scholarship](#)

Description: Scholarship is open to legal residents of the 50 United States and are currently enrolled in an accredited college or university in the United States. Applicant must create a Chegg account and answer a short scholarship question in 600 characters or less.

Deadline: Last Day of the Month **Amount:** \$1,000

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

[Kids' Food Basket](#)

Description: Kids' Food Basket is a nonprofit organization attacking childhood hunger to help young people learn and live well. We began over a decade ago by serving 125 kids each school day through our Sack Supper program and now serve nearly 7,500 kids each weekday in West Michigan. Sack Suppers are evening meals that are well-rounded and nutritious —nutrition that's critical to the development of kids' brains and bodies.

Location: Grand Rapids, Holland, or Muskegon

Phone Number: (616) 235-4532

[Family Promise Grand Rapids](#)

Description: Family Promise partners with families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless by helping them get back on their feet so they can create a stable lifestyle for their children.

Location: Grand Rapids

Phone Number: (616) 445-5220

COMPASS PROGRAM & GVSU COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

COMPASS Program | GVSU College of Education.

The goal of the COMPASS Program is to provide academic support and guidance to students who plan to teach. Benefits of the program include:

- Guidance regarding the necessary steps to apply to the College of Education
- Assistance with preparing for the Professional Readiness Exam (Basic Skills and Content Area tests)
- Tutoring for students having academic difficulty
- Academic Advising
- Monthly meetings with guest speakers from the College of Education (food provided)
- Mentoring from College of Education faculty and staff
- Tutoring opportunities with local elementary and high schools

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE...

1. Go to our website:

www.gvsu.edu/tpsss

2. Click Apply (located in the navigation bar)

3. Follow the instructions on the page and press
“Click here to Apply”



CHECK OUT SOME OTHER FREE RESOURCES ON CAMPUS!

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS)

Provides an overview of the requirements for graduation and assists in developing an achievable academic plan.

Office: C-1-140 MAK

Phone: 616 331-8585

Email: advstu@gvsu.edu

Web: www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising

MULTICULTURAL COHORT PROGRAM

Professional development program that connects students with similar career goals.

Office: 1240 Kirkhof Center

Phone: 616-331-2177

Email: oma@gvsu.edu

STUDENT ACADEMIC SUCCESS CENTER

Assists and aids undecided, pre-major, and transfer students.

Office: 200 Student Services

Phone: 616-331-3588

Email: askowl@gvsu.edu

Web: www.gvsu.edu/sasc

CAREER CENTER

Assists with choosing a major and investigating careers.

Office: 206 Student Services

Phone: 616-331-3311

Email: careers@gvsu.edu



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