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TRIO Offices relocate to Student Success Center!  
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Southeastern Illinois College

SPRING/SUMMER 2016

## CONGRATULATIONS TRIO STUDENTS: CLASS OF 2016

Thirty-nine TRIO students have now completed their degrees and were honored by the Faculty and Staff of Southeastern Illinois College at the annual graduation celebration on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Welcome and Remarks as well as the Charge to the Graduates was given by SIC President, Jonah Rice. Brenna Butler, Phi Theta Kappa President, then presented the 2016 Distinguished Alumnus Award to Dr. Dana Keating for her accomplished career at SIC.

After a choral selection, Dr. Pat York confirmed the degrees as anxious students took their turn to receive their hard earned diplomas.

Congratulations to the TRIO Class of 2016! See the pictures below of a few of the TRIO Graduates!



Joy Brown



Mario Godsey



Jillian Miller



Bobby Steward



Adam Lazaro



Neyreda Rios



Preston Boone



Tracy Stokich



Cameron Lewis

# SIC TRIO Graduates and Degree

Larissa Kaitlin Bond***	Associate in Arts/Associate in Science
Joy Lynn Brown**	Associate in Liberal Studies
Nicole Elizabeth Capps**	Medical Office Assistant/Medical Coding & Billing/Medical Transcription
Maranda Lea Chance**	Associate in Science
Olivia Tamblyn Christian**	Associate in Arts/Associate in Science
Kelsea Shea Cox**	Occupational Therapy Assistant
Amanda Jean Davenport**	Massage Therapy
Alicia Rene' Denbo**	Associate in Science
Crystal Dawn Denson***	Associate in Arts
Kristy Rose Fox**	Associate in Science
Tara Funk**	Information Technology/Information Technology Certificate
Mario Andrario Godsey**	Criminal Justice/Corrections/Law Enforcement
Christopher Dale Grathler**	Biofuels Production Fast-Track/Biofuel Technology & Sustainability
Kalynn Michelle Higgs**	Practical Nursing
Christina Lorene Jackson**	Associate in Arts
Andrea Marie James**	Associate Degree Nursing
Kenzie Rae Jenkins***	Associate in Arts/Associate in Science
Sarah Renee Kelso**	Associate in Science
Kaytlyn Margaret Keith**	Criminal Justice/Corrections/Law Enforcement
Vanessa Gail Landingham**	Associate in Liberal Studies
Aaron Dean Lazaro**	Welding Technology/Welding Technology--Level 2
Mallory Elizabeth Ledbetter**	Associate Degree Nursing
Cameron Xavier Lewis**	Associate in Arts
Dakota Layne Meents**	Information Technology/Information Technology Certificate
Jillian Riley Miller**	Associate in Arts
Clinton Kolt Murphy***	Associate in Arts/Associate in Science
Crystal Marie Okerson**	Veterinary Technology
Rachael Colleen Parks	Associate in Arts/Associate in Science
David Albert Patton**	Associate in Science
Laura Sue Rheude**	Associate in Science
Nereyda Rios**	Cosmetology
Karrissa Marie Siegel**	Associate in Science
Gena Mauree Simmons**	Practical Nursing
Brittney Sha'nece Smith**	Associate in Arts
Garland Ray Smock**	Diesel Technology-Heavy Equipment
Bobby Lamarce Steward**	Information Technology
Tracy Lyn Stokich**	Associate in Arts
Makeshia Jamila Williams**	Associate in Science
Brooklyn Nicole Wright**	Associate Degree Nursing
*Phi Theta Kappa	**Graduating with Honors





## TRIO Students Excel at Honor's Night, April 26th, 2016



Receiving the Educational Leadership and Achievement award is **Kenzie Jenkins** of Elizabethtown. Dr. Diane King, coordinator of early childhood education and education programs presented this award.



**Kenzie Jenkins** of Elizabethtown accepted the June Rice Malan Memorial Math Award from presenter Kim Martin, SIC math instructor.



**Karrissa Siegel** of Carmi accepted the Eva Gersbacher Memorial Biology Award from Kim Martin, SIC math instructor.



**Donna Walczak** of Elizabethtown accepted the Julie Fowler Orange Memorial Scholarship from Ella York, SIC Foundation secretary.



**Christina Jackson** of Rosiclare was awarded the Austin & Doris Welch Art Scholarship presented by Ella York, SIC Foundation secretary.

### Not Pictured but Receiving Awards

**Preston Boone** of Harrisburg earning the Dennis Allen Speech Scholarship.

**Chris Walle** of Harrisburg who was awarded the John Bennewitz Memorial Art Scholarship.

On Saturday, April 9th, 10 TRIO students from Southeastern Illinois College boarded a charter bus and headed south to Memphis, Tennessee.

The students visited many interesting sites including: The National Civil Rights Museum, The Rock 'N Soul Museum, Memphis Music Hall of Fame, and the Blues City Cafe on Beale Street.

Students got home very late but enjoyed experiencing the culture and history.



## SIC TRIO STUDENTS TOUR MEMPHIS, TN





# TR10 Students Participate in SIC Intercollegiate Art Show March 28-April 6

Christina  
Jackson



Bob's Noble Park



Life Drawing I



Life Drawing II



Sylvester



Fawn

Tasha  
Wallace



Birth of Tiger Sin



Tiger Sin I



Tiger Sin II



Midnight Dreams

Autumn  
Pritchett



Granny



New York



Sleeping Beauty



The Utopia We've Created



Oops! Lesson Learned...



Bone Structure Study



Looking Out



Darker Autumn



Peacock Green Bowl

Donna  
Walczak



Cain



The Fallen



The After Party



The Motherboard



Slumber



Chris  
Walle



Denis Stoff



Father and Son



Global Warming



# TRIO STUDENTS SUCCEED IN SPEECH AND MIG

## SPEECH TEAM

### Preston Boone

#### Fright Fest: Illinois Central College in Peoria, IL:

Tournament Champion in poetry interpretation, program oral interpretation, and due interpretation.

Butler, University: Tournament Champion in program oral interpretation, second place in poetry interpretation, and second place in due interpretation.

**Butler University Bulldog Battle:** tournament champion in program oral interpretation, second place in poetry interpretation, and second place in duo interpretation

#### Illinois State Championship Speech Tournament:

Tournament Champion in Poetry interpretation, second in program oral interpretation.

**March 25-26: Phi Rho Pi Regional Four Championship Tournament in Elgin, IL:** Second in individual sweepstakes, silver in poetry interpretation, silver in program oral interpretation, silver in duo interpretation, silver in speech to entertain.

**Nationals:** Gold in duo interpretation (with partner Gabe Motsinger), bronze in poetry interpretation.

### Rachael Hooven

**Illinois State Championship Speech Tournament:** Fifth in open prose interpretation.

#### Phi Rho Pi Regional Four Championship

**Tournament in Elgin, IL:** Gold in dramatic interpretation.

**Nationals:** Bronze in dramatic interpretation.



Preston Boone



Rachael Hooven

## MODEL ILLINOIS GOVERNMENT



### Dana Hooven and Tracy Stokich

MIG Championship in Springfield, IL on Feb. 28, 2016

**Dana Hooven:** 2015 Committee Chair and David Hunt Award for Outstanding Committee Chair.

In acquiring two positions and one award, she acquired three composite points leading the entire simulation in individual points and tied a school record. She also crafted her own original legislation, and successfully guided it from committee all the way to the governor's desk.

**Tracy Stokich:** Committee Whip Position and finalist for the Outstanding Person in a Committee Award.



Dana Hooven



Traci Stokich

## TRIO FALCON SPOT WINNERS



Daquane Willford

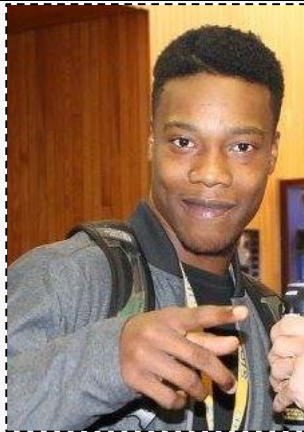


Larissa Bond



Joy Brown

## JOB WELL DONE TRIO MENTORS!



Daquane Willford



Joshua Walser



Joy Brown

SIC TRIO has been honored to have three dedicated students these past two semesters as Peer Mentors. They have been contacting students, assisting with events and activities, as well as spreading the word of how TRIO can help students academically. Daquane, Josh, and Joy have been wonderful and the TRIO staff appreciate them very much.



Congratulations to SIC Business student, **Olivia Christian**, for winning third and a \$200 scholarship in the Community College Division at the SIU Accounting Challenge! Christian said, "The Accounting Challenge was a fun way to learn valuable insight about the College of Business. It was exciting to be among that many perspective business majors."

Close to 300 students from 23 schools participated this year, with three of them being teams from community colleges. The community colleges took the advanced exam which consisted of financial and managerial accounting.

### Peer Mentors Needed for Fall 2016

SIC TRIO is currently looking for more mentors to serve for the fall 2016/Spring 2017 semester.

In order to be considered you must possess the following:

- 1) Minimum 2.5 GPA (cumulative)
- 2) Must have been enrolled at SIC for a least two consecutive semesters prior to submitting the application
- 3) Must have been in TRIO/SSS program for at least one year and in good standing.

If you have any questions regarding the Peer Mentoring Program feel free to stop by the TRIO SSS Office or see TRIO Advisor, Dara Cox.

<http://www.sic.edu/student-services/trio-student-support-services/student-resources>



## SUMMER SCHEDULE

TRIO Office Hours: 8:00am-4:30pm

May 30th: Memorial Day—College Closed

June 6th: Summer Session Begins

June 30th: Mid-Term

July 4th: Independence Day--College Closed

July 20th: Last Day to Withdraw from Classes

July 28th: End of Summer Session

August 15: Fall Instruction Begins



[www.sic.edu/trio](http://www.sic.edu/trio)

## TRIO WORKSHOPS

One of the ways that TRIO Student Support Services supports student success is by offering workshops during the Fall and Spring semesters. Our workshops are designed to connect you to knowledge, resources, professionals and peers that can assist you in successfully navigating SIC and beyond.

We promote our workshops through Falcon Mail, Facebook, Text Remind, Twitter, flyers and our bulletin boards. Please check your SIC Email regularly so that you can stay connected to the important events on campus and in TRIO.

TRIO workshops are offered on different days of the week to accommodate almost any schedule. If you cannot attend a workshop, an online module version will be available.

Additionally, if you have not already done so, connect with us on Facebook by simply liking Southeastern Illinois College Student Support Services TRIO Program. <https://www.facebook.com/SICTRIO/>

Watch for the Back-to-School Newsletter for a schedule of TRIO Activities!

## SIC WELCOMES NEW ADVISOR

SIC TRIO would like to welcome **Dara Cox** to the TRIO Staff!

Dara is the new TRIO Advisor and has been assisting students with their schedule, classes, and transfer.

Dara has a Bachelor of Science degree in History and Psychology from Ball State University, a Master of Education degree in Adult Education and Training from University of Phoenix, a Master of Education degree in Curriculum and Instruction from University of Phoenix and has over thirty credit hours towards a Master of Science degree in Psychology.

Welcome to SIC TRIO Dara!



# TRIO Day South: February 20, 2016

## Daring to Dream—Determined to Achieve



**What is TRIO Day?** According to the 1986 Congressional resolution, National TRIO Day is meant to focus the nation's "attention on the needs of disadvantaged young people and adults aspiring to improve their lives, to the necessary investment if they are to become contributing citizens of the country, and to the talent which will be wasted if that investment is not made."

TRIO Day has been proclaimed a National Day of Service. We encourage programs to perform some sort of community service—as a way for TRIO to give back to their community and say thank you for its support.



SIC TRIO Director, Lolita L. Mack, planned a fun-filled day of activities, entertainment and workshop for all Southern Illinois TRIO groups including a continental breakfast and catered lunch on February 20, 2016.

Each year in February the TRIO Programs across the nation prepare for a Service Project Initiative. This year we contributed to SIC's own Mary Jo Oldham Center for Child Study. The TRIO programs attending were asked to bring items needed for the center. Items donated included cleaning supplies, diapers (all sizes), socks, and coloring books, reading/learning tools for toddlers, school supplies, and individually packaged snacks.

Workshops presented for TRIO Day included a Financial Literacy Memory Game, Financial Aid Tips, and Life Skills. The TRIO Day Keynote Speaker was Jeff McGoy, Assistant Dean of Students at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale.  
<http://jeffmcgoy.com/>

Entertainment was provided by Chicago's legendary Comedian TMurph. TMurph has been featured on such programs as NBC's Chicago Fire, Just for Laughs, BET ComicView, and Key & Peele! <http://qikweb.site/iamtmurph/>





# TRIO Student of the Month 2015-2016

## September



Gustavo Zertuche

## October



Michelle Robinson

## November



Andrea Bruington

## December



Alex Wallace

## January



Vanessa Landingham

## February



Joy Brown

## March



Shelley Galloway

## April



Josh Wolser

## TRIO Grant Aid Scholarship Winners

### Fall 2015

Joy Brown  
Andrea Bruington  
Shadreuna Johnson  
Concepta Mbadiwe  
Nicole Capps  
Kennedy Dunning

Erron Hall II  
Michelle Robinson  
Phoenix Karns  
Simon Shafack, Jr.  
Daquane Willford  
Chelsi Woodard

### Spring 2016

Joy Brown  
Shelly Galloway  
Ryne Stewart

Alicia Denbo  
Demetrius Levarity  
Michelle Robinson  
Phoenix Karns  
Kennedy Dunning

## FREE TUTORING AT THE STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER



Rooms located within the Student Success Center are A-145D Computer/Writing Lab and Classroom, A-146 Special Testing Accommodations and Tutoring, A-147A Tutor Room, and A-153 Testing Center.

Services offered in the Student Success Center include special needs accommodations, remedial tutoring and retesting, group and individualized peer and professional tutoring, course and technical support services, specialized help for students in vocational/technical programs and academic support materials, computer access, and online tutoring. See Student Success Center Staff for assistance.

## TRIO Offers Services to Assist College Students

SIC TRIO offers many **free** services to our students to help our students be successful.

Services include:

- Free Tutoring @ Student Success Center
- Academic & Personal Counseling
- Career Center
- Specialized software
- Private Computer Lab
- Culture Enrichment Activities
- Goal Setting Assistance
- University Trips
- Time Management

### Free Scholarships!

- Free Printing for Notes & Assignments (Course & Angel)
- Study Skills & Personal Development Workshops (online & face-to-face)
- Transfer assistance
- Supplemental Grant Scholarships
- Peer and Faculty Mentors
- Financial Aid & FAFSA Assistance
- Financial Literacy Information
- Free Tickets to on campus cultural presentations

## New Rules to Eliminate Frustrating Financial Aid

The school code for Southeastern Illinois College is **001757**. Visit the SIC Financial Aid Department and attend the **TRIO FAFSA Fridays** if you need assistance. <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>

On Sept. 14, 2015, President Obama announced significant changes to the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA®) process that will impact millions of students. Starting this year, students will be able to do the following:

- **Submit a FAFSA® Earlier:** Students will be able to file a 2017–18 FAFSA as early as Oct. 1, 2016, rather than beginning on Jan. 1, 2017. The earlier submission date will be a permanent change, enabling students to complete and submit a FAFSA as early as October 1 every year. (There is NO CHANGE to the 2016–17 schedule, when the FAFSA will become available January 1 as in previous years.)
- **Use Earlier Income Information:** Beginning with the 2017–18 FAFSA, students will report income information from an earlier tax year. For example, on the 2017–18 FAFSA, students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2015 income information, rather than their 2016 income information.

The following table provides a summary of key dates as we transition to using the early FAFSA submission timeframe and earlier tax information.

When a Student is Attending College (School Year)	When a Student Can Submit a FAFSA	Which Year's Income Information is Required
July 1, 2015–June 30, 2016	January 1, 2015–June 30, 2016	2014
July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017	January 1, 2016–June 30, 2017	2015
<b>July 1, 2017–June 30, 2018</b>	<b>October 1, 2016–June 30, 2018</b>	<b>2015</b>
July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019	October 1, 2017–June 30, 2019	2016
For more information download this handout: <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/fafsa-changes-17-18.pdf">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/fafsa-changes-17-18.pdf</a>		



## TRIO STUDENTS IN ATHLETICS

### BASEBALL

Josue Urbina

Kelvin Cato



### SOFTBALL

Mikayla Thompson

Larissa Bond

Maranda Chance



### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Sheree English  
Patriellia Whittington  
Maranda Chance  
Brittney Smith

Shae Johnson  
Mikayla Thompson  
Chelsi Woodard  
Gabrielle Dortch



### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Demetrius Levarity  
Demaree Walker  
Simon Shafack  
Marquieth Russell  
Erron Hall II  
Montrell Little

Darryl Curry  
David Quarles  
Ceon Burn  
Daquane Willford  
Dorian Armstrong  
Xavier Martin  
Cameron Lewis



### TRIO Students Sign with Texas A&M University-Commerce

Montrell Little, Marquieth Russell, Dorian Armstrong, and Daquane Willford



**Cameron Lewis Signs with Morthland College in West Frankfort, Illinois.**

\*Not Pictured: **Maranda Chance** signs with Morthland College in West Frankfort for Softball and Basketball.

\*Not Pictured: **Demetrius Levarity** signs with Morehead State University in Morehead, KY





## TRIO Students Honored at Annual Luncheon



TRIO Mentor, Joshua Walser speaks to a group of students and staff at the Annual TRIO Honors Luncheon.

TRIO students earning a GPA of 3.0 and above were honored with a special luncheon on April 27 in the SIC Private Dining Room.

Those students in attendance for the meal and honors included; Joy Brown (Mentor), Mirabela Cruson, Alicia Denbo, Morgan Denbo, Kennedy Dunning, Shelley Galloway, Shae Johnson, Makayla Karns, Phoenix Karns, Vanessa Landingham, Concepta Mbadiwe, Michelle Robinson, Simon Shafack, Brittney Smith, Ryne Stewart, Mikayla Thompson, Josue Urbina, Joshua Walser (Mentor), Daquane Willford (Mentor), and Chelsi Woodard.

TRIO also honored former student, Laura DeVous, SIC Nursing Instructor, with the Alumni of the Year Award for her accomplishments.

Thank you to all of the SIC Staff and Administration that helped us celebrate this special occasion with our students!

## STAY CONNECTED WITH TRIO ONLINE

### TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES



*"Promoting Academic Success"*

#### TRIO Student Support Services

Student Support Services (SSS) program is a federally funded program to provide academic and mentoring support, throughout a student's academic career at SIC, and to increase retention and graduation rates of first-generation, low-income, or disabled students. This program will aid qualified students with tutoring, academic, financial aid advising and mentoring.

#### DO I QUALIFY FOR TRIO SERVICES?

##### UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 28: TRIO Welcome Back 11a-3p VPAC

Sept. 1 & 2: Grant Aid Meetings: 10a-12p, 1p-3p:VPAC: MUST ATTEND ONE

Sept. 3: Private Grant Aid Meetings: Contact Lolita for an Appointment

Goal Setting Workshop: 1p-2p: PDR

##### STUDENT RESOURCES

[Illinois Adult Students Public Benefits Guide](#)

[VARK Learning Styles Assessment](#)

[VARK for Athletes](#)



**SIC TRIO Website:** <http://www.sic.edu/trio>

Information available for:

- What is TRIO?
- SSS TRIO Program Eligibility
- TRIO Program Services
- TRIO Staff Page
- Calendar & Events
- Student Resources

**Remain Up-to-Date on TRIO Events With:**

**TRIO TWITTER PAGE:** <https://twitter.com/TRIOSIC>

**TRIO FACEBOOK:**

<https://www.facebook.com/SICTRIO>

**TEXT REMIND:** Text #81010 the message:

@proflower, then reply to Remind with your name.

#### **TRIO LAB E-106 HOURS**

#### **SPRING/FALL SEMESTERS:**

**8am-4:30pm**

#### **SUMMER SEMESTER:**

**8am-4:30pm**



# TRIO OFFICE RELOCATION

Attention TRIO Students! The TRIO Student Support Services Offices (except for Advisor Dara Cox) will be moving to the **Student Success Center** in A-145 during the summer semester.

*TRIO will have a larger computer lab to better serve students!*

If you need to see the TRIO Advisor, she will be located in her current area in E-Building, first floor, in room E-124.

**Lolita L. Mack, TRIO SSS**

**Program Director**

252-5400 ext. 2432

[lolita.mack@sic.edu](mailto:lolita.mack@sic.edu)

**Office: A-143**

Provides TRIO students assistance in:

- ✓ Financial Literacy
- ✓ Personal Enhancement
- ✓ Academic Retention
- ✓ Cultural Trips

**Dara Cox, TRIO SSS**

**Program Advisor**

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**Office: E-124**

Provides assistance for TRIO students in:

- ✓ Course schedules
- ✓ Transfer assistance
- ✓ Academic advising
- ✓ Transfer Trips

**Anita Lowery, TRIO SSS**

**Ed/Tech Coordinator**

252-5400 ext. 2473

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**Office: A-149**

Provides assistance for TRIO students:

- ✓ Study Skills courses
- ✓ Tutoring
- ✓ Technology questions (online courses)
- ✓ Social networking/Web

**Shelly Boots, TRIO SSS**

**Program Specialist**

252-5400 ext. 2435

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**Office: A-150**

Provides assistance for TRIO students:

- ✓ Student supplies
- ✓ Lab assistance
- ✓ Data Input
- ✓ TRIO Student Advocate



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**TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM**  
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