The SLCC TRIO STEM program purpose is to support low-income and first-generation college students pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics by addressing individualized educational and career interests, while providing the opportunities, tools, and resources for self-efficacy.

### How We Can Help

**Personalized Academic Planning** – Your advisor will work with you to create a DegreeWorks plan and registration for a balanced schedule. We will discuss your personal needs to manage a successful semester.

**Financial Literacy** – Assistance in applying for federal aid and scholarships.

**Tutoring** – In partnership with the Science Resource Center (SRC) and other campus services, we will provide referrals to free tutors who can assist you in your courses.

**Transfer Planning** – We can help you build a competitive application:
- Academics
- Campus and community involvement
- Networking skills
- Career planning
- Writing assistance

**Career Planning** – In partnership with the STEM programs we are able to assist with research and internship opportunities.

### Who We Serve

Students who meet the following criteria are encouraged to apply for services:

- **US Citizens or Permanent Residents** who meet residency requirements for Federal student financial aid.

- **First Generation College Students**
  You are considered a first generation college student if neither of your parents has a bachelor (4-year) degree or higher. The bachelor’s degree must be recognized as accredited in the U.S.

- **Low Income**
  Income guidelines are set by the Federal Government. If you qualify to receive federal financial aid, the chances are good that you meet the necessary income guidelines.

- **Graduating from SLCC and Transferring to a Four Year School**
  You need to be an admitted, degree seeking student who will graduate from SLCC in an eligible STEM program **AND** transfer to a 4 year institution to be eligible.

**Program requirements:**
You **must** declare an eligible STEM major/transferable degree within one semester of being accepted into the program. Please see advisor for complete list of eligible majors.

**Note:** Students who meet the first generation college **AND/OR** the federal income guidelines **AND** all of the other criteria may qualify.

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If you have questions or would like more information about the TRIO STEM program contact us:

Phone: 801-957-3874  
Email: trio.stem@slcc.edu  
Office: Salt Lake Community College  
Taiylorsville Redwood Road Campus  
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Salt Lake City, Utah 84123

TRIO STEM is a federal TRIO program funded by the U.S. Department of Education to increase retention, graduation, and transfer of students from low-income families who are also first generation college students in STEM majors.
**All students applying for TRIO STEM must submit income verification**

Answer the questions below:

Yes  No  Were you born before January 1, 1993?

Yes  No  As of today, are you married? (Answer yes if separated, but not yet divorced.)

Yes  No  At the beginning of the current school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an MA, MBA, MD, JD, PhD, EdD, or other graduate certificate, etc.)?

Yes  No  Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. Armd Forces for purposes other than training?

Yes  No  Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?

Yes  No  Do you now have children or will you have children who will receive more than half of their support from you between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017?

Yes  No  Do you have dependents (other than your children or spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you, now and through June 30, 2017?

Yes  No  At any time since you turned age 13, were both your parents deceased, were you in foster care or were you a dependent or ward of the court?

Yes  No  As determined by a court in your state of legal residence, are you or were you an emancipated minor?

Yes  No  Does someone other than your parent of stepparent have legal guardianship of you, as determined by a court in your state of legal residence?

Yes  No  At any time on or after July 1, 2015, did the director of an emergency shelter or transitional housing program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development determine that you were an unaccompanied youth who was homeless or self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?

Yes  No  At any time on or after July 1, 2015, did the director of a runaway or homeless youth basic center or transitional living program determine that you were unaccompanied youth who was homeless or were self-supporting as at risk of being homeless.

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After answering the questions, check the box that applies:

If you answer NO to every question, you are a DEPENDENT student. Bring in a copy of your parent/guardian’s U.S. Federal tax return for last year, as well as your own.

If you YES to ANY question, you are an INDEPENDENT student. Bring a copy of your U.S. Federal tax return from last year.

If you or your parents did not file taxes for last year, please bring in taxes for the previous year.

If you or your parents haven’t filed taxes for the past two years, please fill out and sign the low-income verification contract. This contract can be obtained by contacting the TRIO STEM advisor.
TRIO STEM Application
(Please fill out form completely)

Name ________________________________ S# __________________

Address __________________________________________ Cell Phone __________________

City/State/Zip __________________________________________

Email __________________________________________

Emergency Contact __________________________________________ Relationship __________________

Address __________________________________________ Cell Phone __________________

City/State/Zip __________________________________________

Citizenship: US Citizen Permanent Resident A# __________________

First Generation: What is the highest level of the education completed?

Father __________________________________________

Mother __________________________________________

Low Income: Are you a Dependent or Independent student? __________________

Did you file taxes for the past two years? __________________

If yes, please attach and official tax document which includes your taxable income.

Veteran/Disabled: Disabled (Registered with the Disability Resource Center) Veteran with Disability

Academic Plan: What year did or will you first begin college? ________ Where? __________________

What is your course of study (major) at SLCC? __________________

Are you planning to graduate from SLCC? Yes No

Are you planning to transfer to a 4-year school? Yes No

If yes, where do you plan to transfer? __________________

Have you received a degree previously? Yes No

Who referred you to the TRIO STEM program? __________________

Have you ever participated in a TRIO program? Yes No

If yes, where? __________________

The following information is for federal reporting purposes only and must be completed. It does not determine your eligibility for the program. If you have questions, please ask us.

Gender:
☐ Male
☐ Female
☐ Not listed

Are you Hispanic/Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Race (Select one more):
☐ White ☐ Asian ☐ American Indian/Alaska Native
☐ African American/Black ☐ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
☐ Not Listed

Date of Birth __________________ Married ☐ Single ☐ #Children _____ Age(s) _____
Informed Consent

I authorize TRIO STEM to gather information concerning my academic progress and financial aid status. I understand that this information is used to assist in the determination of my eligibility for TRIO STEM and it will be strictly confidential. I grant permission for TRIO STEM to gather information for follow-up whenever appropriate, including transfer and progress at 4-year institutions. I am aware that TRIO STEM reports to the U.S. Department of Education in accordance with the grant funding regulations. I certify that the information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to provide documentation upon request to verify the information reported. I am aware that the personal information provided to TRIO STEM is protected under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________

Photographic Release Form

I hereby give TRIO STEM and Salt Lake Community College the unqualified right and permission to reproduce, copyright, publish, circulate or otherwise use my name and/or photographic likeness of me still, single, multiple, or moving in which I may be included in whole or in part, or composite. I understand that my photo may be used in publications under the direction of TRIO STEM or Salt Lake Community College. I waive any right to inspect and approve the finished product or copy that may be used or the use to which it may be applied. This authorization and release covers the use of said materials in any published or broadcast form.

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________

For Office Use Only

Status [document in dictation]
- Accepted
- Not Accepted

First Generation

Low Income

Physical/Learning Disability

Academic Need [document in dictation]
- 01 Low high school grades
- 02 Low admission test scores
- 05 Predictive indicator
- 06 Academic proficient tests
- 07 Low college grades
- 08 High School equivalency [GED]
- 09 Failing grades
- 10 Out of academic pipeline 5+ yrs.
- 11 Other
- 12 Limited English proficiency
- 13 Lack of educational and/or career goals
- 14 Lack of academic preparedness for college level course work
- 15 Need for academic support and resources for future endeavors.

Advisor signature ___________________________ Project Entry Date ____________
These questions and your answers will help us understand where you are academically and how our services can help you successfully reach your goals.

Did you receive:  High School Diploma  GED  Year _____ Where? ____________________

Have you ever attended college?  Yes  No  Year _____ Where? ____________________

Describe your high school and/or previous college experience?
________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Do you feel unprepared for college? If so, how?
________________________________________________________________________________

Describe your career goals?
________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Which degree are you seeking at SLCC?  AS  AA  APE  AAS  Other________________________

What is your major? ________________________________________________________________

Are you familiar with your academic program pre-requisites?  Yes  No

Are you familiar with your academic program requirements?  Yes  No

What is your projected graduation and/or transfer? ______________________________________

Have you planned a timeline to graduation and/or transfer?  Yes  No

Have you applied for Federal Financial Aid?  Yes  No

Do you know the difference between dropping and withdrawing from a course?  Yes  No

Do you have any questions or comments?
________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________
To be a participant in good standing with TRIO STEM, I understand that my responsibilities are as follows:

I. I agree to attend each class everyday while it is in session unless otherwise restricted.
II. I agree to make a minimum of one financial contact per semester.
III. I agree to check in with an advisor twice a semester (major advisor or TRIO STEM advisor).
IV. I agree to hand in a midterm check form (submitted to the TRIO STEM office by the deadline) for each class I am enrolled in per semester.
V. I agree to attend tutoring when needed until my grades are improved or until the assignment has been completed.
VI. I agree to attend a minimum of one workshop or activity.
VII. I agree to contact the TRIO STEM advisor when any changes are made to my class schedule.

I understand that I must sign the Participant Commitment Contract to be officially accepted into the TRIO STEM program. I agree to adhere to the terms of this contract and if I have any changes in contact information I will notify my advisor.

Continuation with TRIO STEM is contingent upon successful completion of this contract.

Name__________________________  S#_____________________

Semester ______________________

________________________________  Date ___________________

Student signature