Mission
The mission of the North Carolina State University TRIO Programs is to provide equal access to quality education by facilitating retention and promotion from middle schools through post baccalaureate completion.

History
TRIO Programs are Federal outreach and student services programs designed to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities to progress through the academic pipeline from middle school to post baccalaureate degrees. Of these eight programs, NC State University hosts three programs, including the two premier TRIO pre-college programs, Educational Talent Search (1991) and Upward Bound (1978 and 2012). Collectively they have served thousands of students providing access to higher education. The Student Support Service program for undergraduate students launched in 2010.

People
• 15 professional and support staff
• Numerous instructors, advisors, tutors, bus drivers, and facilitators

Facilities
The office is physically located at an off-campus site at 20 Enterprise Street. Various auxiliary sites located on campus are used to facilitate program activities and events. Services for pre-college programs are typically provided on weekends and Wednesdays at NC State during the academic year and weekdays during the summer. The collegiate SSS program is now housed on campus.

Activities
Upward Bound & Educational Talent Search
• Academic Skill Development
• College Admissions Assistance
• Test Prep Training (SAT/ACT)
• Monetary Stipends and Subsistence
• Computer Aided Instruction
• Fee Waivers
• Motivational Workshops
• Cultural and Career Development
• Summer Residential Experience

Student Support Services
• Tutoring
• Advising
• Academic Support
• Graduate School Preparation
• Financial Resources
• Limited Grant Aid

Participation
• 1,000 students served in 10 middle and high schools in four counties: Franklin, Johnston, Vance and Wake.
• On average, 65% of Upward Bound graduates complete a bachelor’s degree within six years, which rivals most universities’ retention rates.
• 140 undergraduate students served by the Student Support Services program

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