

# TheCenter Highlights 2015-2016



## ACHIEVEMENTS

### UNLV Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)

- 79% of GEAR UP college-ready students enrolled in a postsecondary program
- GEAR UP works with parents and students to ensure they are knowledgeable about college entrance requirements, financial aid, and college preparatory high school courses

### TRIO Upward Bound (UB) and Upward Bound Math/Science (UBMS) Center

- 100% of UB seniors achieved proficiency level on state assessments in reading/language arts and math
- 100% of the students were promoted to the next grade level or graduated from high school
- 89% of the students who graduated from high-school completed a rigorous program of study
- 81% of the UB college-ready students enrolled in a postsecondary program

### TRIO Educational Talent Search (ETS)

- 100% of all students progressed to the next grade level
- 100% of senior participants graduated from high school
- 71% of the TS college-ready students enrolled in a postsecondary program
- 87% of high school graduates completed a rigorous program of study

### TRIO Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)

- 48% of the college-ready participants enrolled in a postsecondary program (entered or re-entered postsecondary education)
- 44% of the participants who did not obtain a high school diploma or equivalent received a secondary school diploma or equivalent

### TRIO Student Support Services (SSS)

- 72% of the first-year freshmen graduate from UNLV within six years
- 100% of program participants were in good academic standing
- 97% of the students persisted toward completing an academic program

### TRIO Ronald E. McNair Scholars Institute

- 62% of the McNair graduates enrolled in a post baccalaureate program
- 100% of the McNair first-year graduate students continued to be enrolled in graduate school
- 100% of the McNair Scholars who participated in the Summer Research Institute completed their research or scholarly activities.

### Title III Asian American Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI)

- 92% of program participants persisted toward or earned a bachelor's degree

## GRANT RESOURCES

The Department of Education awarded The Center (UNLV) a total of 21 nationally competitive grants, which exceeds \$116 million. The three **Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)** grants are seven year grants for a total award of \$98 million (\$49 million federal dollars and \$49 million match). Five of the grants awarded are **Upward Bound** and **Upward Bound Math & Science** programs, all of which are five year grants for a total award of \$7 million. Five **Educational Talent Search** programs are also awarded for five years and total \$6.4 million. Two **Educational Opportunity Centers** are five year grants with a total award of \$2.4 million. Three **Student Support Services** programs are five year awards, which total \$3.8 million. **Ronald E. McNair Scholars Institute** is also a five year grant with a total award of \$1.2 million. The Center was awarded one **TRIO Training** program—a two-year grant for a total of \$250,000. The Center has also been awarded two **Title III Asian American Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI)**—five-year grants which total \$3.25 million.



## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- The Nevada Department of Employment and Training, with the Department of Health and Human Services (a division of Welfare and Supportive Services), and The Center's TRIO Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) program developed a partnership aimed at encouraging low-income and first-generation welfare recipients to consider higher education as an option for a self-sustained lifestyle. Through this and other collaborative efforts, more than three hundred individuals received GED assessment and advising toward continuing their education during this year.
- Wells Fargo First Generation Scholarship Program provides 20 scholarships (\$2,500 each) to undergraduate students who meet eligibility criteria. Students must commit to 80 hours a year of volunteer service at one of The Center's target schools.
- Senoras of Excellence/Senores of Distinction Scholarship program provides scholarships (\$1,000 each) to undergraduate students who meet eligibility criteria.

## PARTICIPANTS

- Since receiving its first federal grant in 1967, The Center has increased the number of participants from 50 students to more than 26,000 annually.
- Since 2005, the Ronald E. McNair Scholars (TRIO) Institute reports 23 students have earned a doctoral degree and 91 students went on to graduate school.
- The UNLV Ronald E. McNair Scholars Institute congratulates nine former TRIO McNair Scholars who received advanced degrees: Dr. Danielle Jackson, Ph.D. from the University of Arizona; Dr. Tyrone Roach from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana; Amie Fender, J.D. from University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Dr. Teddy Sim, Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Western Chiropractic College; Katrina Samuels, J.D., Southern University; Amy Yonesawa, J.D. from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Dr. Amanda Haboush, Ph.D. from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Dr. Lorenzo Nichols, Doctorate in Optometry from the InterAmerican University, School of Optometry, Dr. Michael Webber, Ph.D. from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; and Dr. Kristopher R. Buchanan, Ph.D. from Texas A&M.

Mission: To provide traditional and innovative educational opportunities to a diverse community through targeted services and research that promote personal success.

### Federally Funded Programs

<u>Programs</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Participants</u>
UB	3	191
UBMS	2	119
ETS	5	2,758
EOC (AES)	2	2,000
SSS	2	505
McNair	1	30
GEAR UP	3	20,000
TRIO Training	1	125
AANAPISI	2	380

### CAEO Funded Divisions & Programs

Administration  
 Family Support Services  
 Finance  
 Information Technology  
 Mentor & Volunteer Program  
 Parents Program  
 Research & Compliance

### Participants Eligibility Criteria:

#### GEAR UP

- Free & reduced lunch rate at target middle schools is 51% or higher

#### TRIO

- At least 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s of participants are Low-Income and First-Generation College

#### Title III AANAPISI

- At least 50% of participants are Asian-American Native American Pacific Islander
- All participants must be Low-Income and/or First-Generation College

### Ethnicity Breakdown:

Hispanic: 57%  
 African-American: 20%  
 White: 12%  
 Native American/Pacific Islander: 1%  
 Asian: 4%  
 Multi-racial: 6%

### Services Offered:

Academic Advising and Counseling  
 Financial Aid Counseling  
 Parent Education Workshops  
 Basic Instruction in English  
 GED Preparation  
 Faculty Mentoring  
 Research Opportunities  
 Tutoring  
 College Tours  
 College Preparation  
 Summer Residential Programs  
 Credit Recovery  
 Career Planning  
 Teacher Professional Development  
 Assistance with College Admissions and Financial Aid Applications

### Employees: (as of 2/1/2017)

Total Count: 266  
 Professional: 72  
 Letter of Appointment: 8  
 Classified: 15  
 Grad Asst: 3  
 Student Worker: 24  
 Tutors/Instructors: 144

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