California State University, Los Angeles
TRIO Upward Bound Programs
and
TRIO Upward Bound Math/Science Programs
THE DOOR OF OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR EDUCATION
What is the Upward Bound Program?

History of Program: Congress established a series of programs to assist low-income, first generation college students enroll in postsecondary education, obtain a college degree and move on to participate more fully in America’s economic and social life. The programs are funded under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and are known as the Federal TRIO Programs.

Purpose of Program: Cal State L.A. is home to two Upward Bound grants and two Math and Science Upward Bound grants. The Upward Bound programs are designed to generate in participants the skills and motivation necessary for success in education beyond secondary school. The Upward Bound Math and Science programs are designed to prepare participants for postsecondary education programs that lead to careers in the fields of math and science.

Mission Statement: The UB program strives to instill the importance and value of postsecondary education in its participants through a rigorous academic program and caring staff. Our goal is to generate in participants the skills and motivation necessary for success in secondary education and beyond.

Eligibility Requirements: Participants must be low-income and/or first generation college student (see definitions below) and meet the eligibility requirements listed below.

Low-Income – Students whose family’s taxable income for the preceding year did not exceed 150 percent of the poverty level amount established by the Census Bureau.

First Generation College Student - (A) An individual, both of whose parents have not completed a baccalaureate degree; or (B) In the case of any individual who regularly resides with and receives support from only one parent, an individual whose only such parent has not completed a baccalaureate degree.

Citizenship: must be a U.S. Citizen or a legal Permanent Resident.

Academic Need: Must demonstrate the need for academic assistance through current report cards, transcripts, standardized test scores.

Target Schools: Must attend one of the following schools - Garfield HS or Wilson HS in the Los Angeles School Unified School District; Blair HS, Marshall Fundamental, John Muir HS, or Pasadena HS in the Pasadena Unified School District.

What Services Are Offered?

After School Study Hall: Participants attend study hall at their respective high school three days a week for one hour after school. During study hall the participants receive tutoring and academic advising. School supplies and snacks are provided.

Saturday Academy: Participants attend 18 Saturday Academy sessions at Cal State L.A. where they receive supplemental instruction in English, math, science. School supplies and a meal are provided.

Student Enrichment Activities: Participants visit 2-4 universities every year. In addition, the participants have the opportunity to attend student conferences and workshops where they receive information about financial aid, college admissions requirements, SAT/ACT preparation, leadership development, and multicultural awareness.

Academic Advising: Participants work closely with an Academic Advisor who provides academic guidance throughout their high school years and beyond. The Academic Advisor is responsible for tracking participants’ academic progress and ensuring that every participant is on a college track from the moment they are admitted into the program.

Summer Program: Participants attend a rigorous six week academic summer program at Cal State L.A. The program offers courses in English/Language Arts, math, science, and SAT preparation. Participants may earn high school credit if the courses are passed successfully. During the summer program, participants have access to science labs, computer centers, libraries and qualified teachers. The following is a list of services and items that are provided to participants during the summer program.

- Breakfast and Lunch
- Academic Advising
- Books and School Supplies
- Tutoring
- CSULA Identification Card
- Public Transportation—Bus Pass
- 2 Week Residential Program

Application and Information: If you are currently in the 8th, 9th or 10th grade and meet the eligibility requirements, you may apply to be a participant of the Cal State L.A. Upward Bound Programs. Acceptance into the program is based on the following: complete application packet, eligibility requirements, and interview process. To obtain an application or more information call the Upward Bound Office at (323) 343-3238.

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