

# TRIO Upward Bound

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## Purpose/Mission.

The mission of the **TRiO** programs is to advance the idea of equal education opportunities in postsecondary education. It is to assure that the least advantaged segments of the American population have a realistic chance to enter and graduate from a postsecondary institution. Our purpose here at UVU is to empower youth who have academic potential, but who lack adequate information or school preparation to enter and continue in postsecondary education. Through the **TRiO** (Upward Bound) developmental curriculum and guidance processes, students are expected to improve their academic skills, social skills, and motivation to pursue and complete their postsecondary options.

## Learning Outcomes.

## Academic Year 2022-2023

### 1. **Academic Performance (GPA):**

**85%** of participants served during the project year will have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better on a four-point scale at the end of the school year. **REPORTED 99%**

### 2. **Academic Performance on Standardized Tests:**

**50%** of UB seniors served during the project year will have achieved at the proficient level on state assessments in reading/language arts and math. **REPORTED 97%**

### 3. **Secondary School Retention & Graduation:**

**96%** of participants served during the project year will continue in school for the next academic year, at the next grade level, or will have graduated from secondary school with a regular secondary school diploma. **REPORTED 100%**

### 4. **Secondary School Graduation (rigorous secondary school program of study):**

**55%** of all current and prior year UB participants, who at the time of entrance into the project had an expected high school graduation date in the school year, will complete a rigorous secondary school program of study and graduate in that school year with a regular secondary school diploma. **REPORTED 100%**

### 5. **Postsecondary Enrollment:**

**60%** of all current and prior UB participants, who at the time of entrance into the project had an expected high school graduation date in the school year, will enroll in a program of postsecondary education by the fall term immediately following high school graduation or will have received notification, by the fall term immediately following high school, from an institution of higher education, of acceptance but deferred enrollment until the next academic semester. **REPORTED 81%**

### 6. **Postsecondary Completion:**

**39%** of participants who enrolled in a program of postsecondary education, by the fall term immediately following high school graduation or by the next academic term as a result of acceptance by deferred enrollment, will attain either an associate or bachelor's degree within six years following graduation from high school. **REPORTED 48%**

## Programs and Services.

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| * Financial Literacy & Financial Aid Assistance | * STEM Activities                |
| * ACT Prep & 4 ACT Test Taking Waivers          | * Foreign Language Exposure      |
| * 3 Day Academic Trip & College Tours           | * Speed Reading                  |
| * Career Shadowing & Workshops                  | * Summer Program-college credits |

## Assessment and Impact.

### Yearly Summer Academic Program in June:

- \* Residential Summer Program
- \* Up to 50 participants from Provo, Orem, Heber, Roosevelt & Vernal high schools
- \* Earn 6-7 college credits each year
- \* 100% free to participants
- \* 60% of students return each year
- \* 34% of seniors attend UVU



The **UB Summer Program** has the greatest impact on UB students as they come to UVU and have a college experience comprised of attending college classes for credit, workshops, cultural activities/introduction to the arts, and living on campus along with visiting college campuses locally and out of state.

## Recent Accomplishments.



**2024 UB Summer Program Banquet**  
Two high school graduating seniors  
received their associate degree



**2024 UB Summer Program Trip**  
Los Angeles, California  
July 1-3, 2024

## Outstanding Achievement.

Full four-year academic scholarship through Quest Bridge to the University of Notre Dame worth over \$200,000. Jacob's composite ACT score is 31 with an unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.999. He is a past UVU Upward Bound president, the 2023-2024 UHS Sterling Scholar in Business and Marketing, the vice president of the Math Club, a member of the Student Senate, National Honor Society, the Science Club and FBLA. **Jacob graduated from Uintah High School, (Vernal, UT) with 69 college credits; 45 through concurrent enrollment & 24 in Upward Bound.**

