

MISSION STATEMENT

Horizons: A TRIO program assists students in developing academic, social, personal and leadership skills through holistic services including tutoring, faculty mentoring, peer mentoring, career development, academic support, cultural enrichment, and access to global experiences. These initiatives coupled with a sense of belonging will contribute to a well-rounded and successful Purdue University experience.

**TRIO is a federally funded program that was authorized by the Higher Education Amendments of 1968.*

VISION STATEMENT

The vision of Horizons: A TRIO program (SSS) is to retain and graduate its participants at the highest possible rate with the highest possible grade point average from Purdue University.

PROGRAM ELEMENTS

Through a comprehensive suite of services, Horizons ensures students can develop a holistic set of academic, social, personal and leadership skills that will contribute to their overall success. These services include:

- **GS 19900 & 49000 Strategies for a Successful Freshman Year:** This course is intended to equip first semester freshman with the necessary tools for success at Purdue University
- **GS 19900 Life and Career Development Lab:** This course is designed to help students develop a strong understanding of who they are as an individual and how that information impacts educational and vocational goals
- **GS 19900 Supplemental Instruction (SI):** SI is assigned to all incoming freshmen enrolled in Horizons GS 19900 or GS 49000. More than 90% of the students are placed in a math SI course. Those students not enrolled in math either attends study tables or have the option of receiving SI in another STEM field subject.
- **EDPS 490 Horizons Global Leadership Initiative:** This course provides 20 students an opportunity to participate in a summer semester abroad at a reduced rate. This is a three week course during the May semester and, in financial partnership with the Office of Study Abroad, provides a framework which promotes global awareness, change in students perceptions, and addresses misconceptions of other people and cultures in an all-inclusive experience.
- **Academic Counseling:** Horizons advising is available to students from their freshman year through graduation providing supplemental advising in all aspects of their educational planning, including course planning, study skills, GPA management, and referral services.
- **Career Counseling:** Available to support students in their career-related challenges as well as choice of major in reference to their future. Referral services to the Center for Career Opportunities are also available.
- **Tutoring:** Horizons offers its students free one-on-one tutoring in all core math and science courses as well as foreign language. Exceptions for other subjects can be made on a case-by-case basis.
- **Faculty and Peer Mentoring:** During a student's first year at Purdue, participants are matched with a faculty or staff member in their preferred area of study. Additionally, all Horizons freshmen students who are enrolled in the 3 credit GS199 course partake in group peer mentoring led by a trained Horizons upperclassman.

- **Financial Aid Assistance:** Students enrolled in Horizons can utilize our FA administrator if they have questions in regards to: FAFSA, Work Study, Student Loans, or Budgeting.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

As a result of participating in Horizons: A TRIO program, students will:

- Acquire the aptitude to successfully navigate pivotal life phases.
- Internalize and demonstrate intrapersonal skills inclusive of self-efficacy, self-reflection and self-actualization.
- Increase intercultural knowledge to become effectively engaged in a global context.
- Develop personal and professional connection both on and off campus.
- Visit the Horizons office location multiple times throughout the semester to utilize a variety of resources that aid in their overall academic success.

NOTABLE CHANGES FROM 2017-18 Academic Year

- **Horizons New Student Welcome Social:** An activity for the freshmen cohort to meet and mingle together with staff and current Horizons students. Food and games are provided. Social interaction and adjustment.
- **Horizons First Fridays:** First Friday of each month the director orders food and refreshments for students to enjoy in the Horizons space. This event serves as a tool for the director to interact and engage student population. Workshops are offered, along with the food, in a lunch and learn format.
- **Horizons Student Support Services: A TRIO program Signage:** Signage is important for helping students and visitors identify the Horizons space and location. Additionally, signage further contributes to enhancing visibility, awareness, and campus presence at Purdue University.
- **Two Horizons Scholars Advocate for TRIO in Washington, D.C.:** Sponsored by the Office of Student Success, two Horizons Scholars join staff and administrators in Washington, D.C. to advocate for TRIO programs.
- **Horizons Graduate School Tour Visit – Indiana University Bloomington:** Horizons took a collection of students with different class standing on its first Graduate School Tour
- **Horizons Social Media presence:** Resurrected Horizons Social Media accounts (Instagram and Facebook) to reconnect and engage with students, families, and campus community.

OUR DATA

See attached data summary

2017-2018 Horizons Data

Table 1: Retention and Graduation Rates for Support Programs

Cohort Year	Cohort	Original Cohort	1Yr Retention	2Yr Retention	3Yr Retention	4Yr Grad Rate	5Yr Grad Rate	6Yr Grad Rate
2009	Purdue Promise	171	87.13%	82.46%	72.51%	37.43%	64.91%	69.59%
	TfCS only	163	84.05%	77.30%	73.01%	38.04%	61.96%	66.26%
	Pell Eligible only	855	83.86%	76.73%	72.05%	38.83%	61.29%	67.60%
	Horizons	110	86.36%	77.27%	74.55%	32.73%	55.45%	62.73%
	University Rate	6166	88.97%	82.50%	78.61%	46.76%	70.60%	75.43%
2010	Purdue Promise	223	91.93%	82.06%	72.65%	42.60%	66.37%	69.51%
	TfCS only	122	85.25%	77.05%	72.95%	45.90%	68.85%	72.13%
	Pell Eligible only	935	86.84%	79.36%	75.40%	42.89%	66.95%	71.34%
	Horizons	135	90.37%	79.26%	71.11%	34.07%	62.22%	65.93%
	University Rate	6353	90.23%	83.69%	79.19%	49.22%	72.61%	76.97%
2011	Purdue Promise	252	90.08%	81.75%	77.78%	43.25%	65.48%	70.24%
	TfCS only	125	88.00%	86.40%	82.40%	57.60%	79.20%	81.60%
	Pell Eligible only	886	84.99%	78.69%	74.15%	43.45%	68.28%	71.56%
	Horizons	113	96.46%	84.07%	81.42%	44.25%	72.57%	77.88%
	University Rate	6660	90.57%	84.34%	80.95%	51.49%	74.19%	78.74%
2012	Purdue Promise	244	88.93%	81.15%	77.46%	53.69%	67.62%	72.13%
	TfCS only	137	87.59%	78.83%	74.45%	45.26%	68.61%	70.07%
	Pell Eligible only	800	86.25%	80.63%	76.75%	51.38%	70.00%	74.88%
	Horizons	87	91.95%	88.51%	86.21%	55.17%	74.71%	79.31%
	University Rate	6329	91.01%	86.10%	82.92%	55.85%	77.15%	81.18%
2013	Purdue Promise	276	92.39%	87.32%	77.90%	55.80%	70.65%	
	TfCS only	126	86.51%	75.40%	73.81%	54.76%	69.05%	
	Pell Eligible only	782	87.21%	81.07%	76.47%	50.26%	67.26%	
	Horizons	74	93.24%	85.14%	78.38%	58.11%	70.27%	
	University Rate	6319	92.63%	87.69%	83.49%	58.52%	78.15%	
2014	Purdue Promise	292	92.81%	85.27%	81.85%	62.67%		
	TfCS only	160	93.13%	88.75%	80.00%	56.25%		
	Pell Eligible only	688	90.26%	84.16%	78.63%	54.94%		
	Horizons	63	92.06%	88.89%	82.54%	47.62%		
	University Rate	6408	92.76%	88.03%	84.00%	60.25%		
2015	Purdue Promise	347	90.20%	82.71%	75.79%			
	TfCS only	215	87.44%	80.93%	73.95%			
	Pell Eligible only	730	88.36%	84.25%	77.95%			
	Horizons	75	86.67%	81.33%	66.67%			
	University Rate	6855	91.76%	87.26%	82.99%			
2016	Purdue Promise	308	90.26%	83.44%				
	TfCS only	240	92.50%	87.50%				
	Pell Eligible only	762	86.35%	81.10%				
	Horizons	86	87.21%	88.37%				
	University Rate	7229	91.64%	87.44%				
2017	Purdue Promise	356	86.52%					
	TfCS only	195	85.64%					
	Pell Eligible only	808	88.00%					
	Horizons	68	89.71%					
	University Rate	7548	91.94%					

*Please note, Purdue Promise and TFCS are scholarship programs. Horizons does not provide scholarships to its participants.