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LILLY COLEMAN

"As a freshman, going to college can be intimidating, but being part of Student Support Services has made my first experience of college a great one! Any time I have questions, need advice or just need to talk, Student Support Services is where I head too. Knowing I have such a supportive group backing me has given me the help and confidence I need to succeed. My goal is to graduate from SCC with my associates degree and transfer to a four-year university. With my Student Support Services team with me every step of the way I know I can do it!"

"College is **stressful** and is even worse when you have to do it all alone. Thanks to Student Support Services, I have had guides to help me navigate the journey. My advisors have helped me pick the correct classes, get scholarships, and succeed as a college student. They have always believed in me, and because of that, I now believe in myself more than ever. As I go on to pursue a bachelor's degree, I know that I can build upon the guidance they have given me to be a more successful student and person."



JUSTIN CLIFTON

REQUEST INFO

Complete the following information to learn more about SSS and schedule a meeting with an advisor.
Return to SSS (located on the lower level of Oaks Hall).

Name _____

SCC Student ID # _____

Degree Program _____

Cell phone _____

Home phone _____

Email _____

Times I am available to meet _____





Student Support Services (SSS) is Southwestern Community College’s premiere student retention program helping students achieve their goal of graduating from SCC and/or transferring to a 4-year institution. Support to effectively manage all aspects of college life is provided **FREE** of charge to students who meet eligibility requirements.

Mission statement

TRIO Student Support Services promotes student achievement and academic excellence in a welcoming and inclusive environment by providing high quality advising, scholarship support, transfer services, personal development programming and enrichment activities.

PARTICIPANT ACHIEVEMENTS | 2016-17

- **71%** enrolled in Fall 2016 returned in Fall 2017 or graduated
- **3.04** Average GPA
- **55** named to President’s or Dean’s list
- **35** graduated, **16** with honors
- **40** received academic awards or were inducted into an honors society



ELIGIBILITY

Student Support Services is a voluntary program available to eligible students demonstrating a need for academic support who are striving to achieve their goals of graduating or transferring.

To be eligible for SSS, a student must meet **ONE** of the following criteria:

- Be a first-generation college student
(parents or guardians do not have a bachelor’s degree)
- Meet income eligibility requirements
- Have a documented disability



SERVICES

- **Academic Co-Advising:** Each student works with an SSS advisor who supports their success at SCC.
- **Personal Development:** Programs are offered to help students develop financial literacy, apply for scholarships, and prepare to succeed while in college and after graduation.
- **Tutoring:** SSS students receive extra hours of free tutoring in addition to the hours SCC provides for all students.
- **Transfer Services:** The SSS transfer advisor provides assistance in exploring 4-year college options, applying, and scheduling campus visits.
- **Scholarship & Grant Support:** Supplemental Grant Aid and program scholarships are available only to SSS participants. These awards are competitive and require an application to be considered.
- **Resource Loan Program:** Laptops, calculators, books, and personal development DVDs are available on loan for program participants.
- **Enrichment Activities:** Opportunities to make new friends and experience the unique culture and environment of Western North Carolina are offered each semester including hikes, whitewater rafting, geocaching and visits to the Biltmore House during the holidays.

