

# March 2017 FESP News

## Kalamazoo Nature Center Opportunity:

The KNC staff is looking for individuals who are willing to develop within children an appreciation and respect for the natural world. This program will encourage local 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students to have an awareness and appreciation for nature, and to encourage students from different schools and background to work together on common interest. This will be a great opportunity for TRiO FESP participants to get some additional experience working with youth. We are in need of FESP participants on the following dates:

- Kleinstuck Preserve, April 20, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Asylum Lake, May 8, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Kleinstuck Preserve, May 30, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Asylum Lake, June 01, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)

If you are interested, let Myia know by **Friday, March 03, 2017** at [mmyia.hughes@wmich.edu](mailto:mmyia.hughes@wmich.edu).

## Important

### Upcoming Dates:

Mar 3: 25% refund for complete withdrawal

Mar 3: Spirit Day: No classes: University open

Mar 06-10: Spring Break: University opens

Mar 7: Priority registration requirements due by 5:00 p.m.

Mar 12: Daylight Savings

Mar 13: KVCC Summer registration open

Mar 14: TRiO FESP Fall Registration

Mar 20: Last day to withdrawal from Spring Classes

## Our New Staff Member!!!

Meet Toni Latham, the newest addition to the TRiO FESP team as our Program Service Coordinator. Although Toni is new to TRiO FESP, she is no stranger to Western Michigan University and the College of Education and Human Development. Toni is a graduate of WMU and she has also worked at Western since 2012. Although she lives in Kalamazoo now, Toni has lived in Georgia for eight years and she is originally from Grand Rapids, Michigan. Toni loves to travel, and even has a goal of traveling to Paris one day! In her spare time Toni enjoys watching Netflix – she is brave to watch scary movies alone but prefers to watch comedies with others. Toni loves being in the heat and her favorite time of the year is Summer. Toni is also an advocate for student success – she defines success with a quote from one of her favorite authors, Maya Angelou: “Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it.”



## National TRiO Day:

National TRiO Day is a day of celebration, reflection, and action around increased access to higher education for disadvantaged students. This year we are hosting a dinner with TRiO SSP and Upward Bound Program on Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Bernhard Center. Email Myia by Friday, March 03, 2017 if you are interested. We will accept the first 20 participants to who RSVP.

## TRiO Spring Team Building retreat at Pretty Lake:

Let's bring in new TRiO FESP Participants in TRiO style. We will head to Pretty Lake Camp on Friday, May 12, 2017 from 8-5 p.m.


This team building retreat will be a one-day event

## Social Media Outlets:

We are launching TRiO FESP into the social media world. In hopes of reaching out to more students, we have decided to create accounts for Twitter, Instagram, and Snapchat!

Please find us and follow what's going on in TRiO FESP!

 [facebook.com/triofespwmu](https://www.facebook.com/triofespwmu)

 [@TRiO\\_FESP](https://twitter.com/TRiO_FESP)

 [triofespwmu](https://www.instagram.com/triofespwmu)

 [triofesp](https://www.snapchat.com/add/triofesp)

## Where can you seek tutoring?

There are many resources on campus for you to find assistance with your classes. Check out the following resources and see if there is something that fits your needs.

- [Bronco Study Zone](#)
- [Writing Center](#)
- Check with your class department
- Reach out to your TRIO FESP Advisor

Some of these resources can not only help you with your classes but also help you with study techniques.

## Washington, D.C with your FYE Mentors:

Some of your favorite FYE Mentors are heading to Washington, D.C. to lobby for your program. They will be meeting with Congress to tell them how TRIO FESP has helped them.

Why is this important?

The government wants to cut spending and they want to cut TRIO programs. Our congress needs to know that TRIO works! Money needs to stay invested to its participants. Wish us luck!

We will also keep you updated with what is going on during our trip via Instagram and Snapchat. Follow us!

## Priority Registration:

Priority Registration is a benefit available to TRIO FESP students that ensures students get an advantage to register for courses. To earn priority registration this semester, students must complete an appointment with a FESP staff member, have all required FESP assessments completed/submitted, and attend a TRIO workshop or complete an online module.

Online Modules: [www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/teacherprep](http://www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/teacherprep)

Please go to our TRIO FESP website to schedule your appointment!

[www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/advising](http://www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/advising)

All requirements need to be completed by **Tuesday, March 7, 2017** to earn priority registration for the Fall 2017 semester.

**All workshops are finished for the semester for Priority registrations. You must complete an online module to receive priority registration!!**

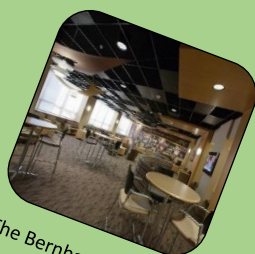
## Kalamazoo Career Fair:

The Kalamazoo Career Fair is one of the largest career fairs. It will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 12-4 p.m. at Kalamazoo Valley Community College on 9<sup>th</sup> St.

If you need assistance with your resume and interviewing techniques, check out the Career and Student Employee Services in Elsworth Hall.

## Where are the best places to study on campus?

Need a quiet place to study? Or a change of scenery? Check out these cool places on campus to go!

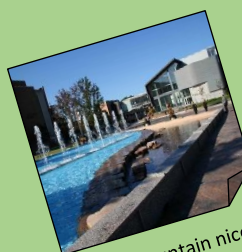


The Bernhard Center

Bigby Coffee located in BHC



Mugshots located in Valley 1



Miller Fountain nice for warm weather!

## SouthWest Michigan Job Fair

The Kalamazoo Expo Center is hosting a job fair on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to get your foot in the door with careers that you want or for a great Summer Job.

Location:

2900 Lake Street

Kalamazoo, MI

## Need Suggestions!!

We are reaching out to gather information to put in the newsletter. Any ideas are welcome (advice column, financial literacy info, etc.)! Email Harmony Williams with ideas.