Meet our New Advisor: Steve Berard

Steve Berard was born and raised in rural, western Massachusetts where people say “park the car” and not “pak the ca”. As a first generation college student, he earned a bachelor’s degree in English from Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and a master’s degree in Education from Indiana University. Steve is passionate about service to others and cross-cultural exchange. He’s worked on mission projects in Haiti, volunteered on the Navajo Reservation in New Mexico, and served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Yemen. Steve met his wife Dawn in the Peace Corps. After getting married, the two went on to teach English in Kuwait and Japan. They settled in Bemidji, Minnesota and have three children. Steve taught and advised in the TRIO/SSS program at Bemidji State University for six years. He moved to Bismarck and joined the TRIO staff at UMary this summer. Steve spends much of his free time exploring the community and he always welcomes recommendations for places to find good eats (especially if they serve pizza).
Elizabeth Serr is a third year nursing student. Her hometown is Eureka, SD. She enjoys spending time with her family, friends, and her dog. Some of her hobbies are playing softball, kayaking, watching Netflix, and trying to befriend her own cat. Elizabeth is looking forward to seeing what the upcoming school year brings and meeting all the new TRIO students.

Devan Rohrich is a junior majoring in Psychology and minoring in Sociology. He also is a member of the Track and Field team where he competes in shotput and discus. Devan has five younger brothers and loves spending time with them and the rest of his family. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, and golfing. Devan looks forward to a very exciting year with everyone in TRIO!

Upcoming TRIO Events

October 8 & 10: Killin’ It—Financial Literacy 2:00-2:30 p.m. TSB 204. Discussion on how to understand financial aid. Presented by UMary Financial Aid staff.

October 9: Day of Service. Join TRIO volunteering in the Bis-Man community.

October 14: Killin’ It—Test Anxiety 12-12:30 p.m. TSB 105 & 3:00-3:30 p.m. TSB 204. Do tests stress you out? Learn coping mechanisms that will help make test anxiety a thing of the past!

October 29 & 31: Killin’ It—Time Management 2:00-2:30 p.m. TSB 204. Learn ways to improve and master time management.

Last year TRIO came up with the service initiative “TRIO Serves.” Last year we exceeded our 1,000 hour goal. This year our goal is 1,200 service hours. The goal of this is to get TRIO students more involved in the Bismarck Mandan community. Most majors require service hours, so this is a great way to reach them. On October 9th there will be no classes for the campus wide Day of Service.

Day of Service Sign-Up Instructions:

1.) To sign up go to this link: [http://msaunitedway.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=14971](http://msaunitedway.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=14971)
2.) For those who have not participated before create an account. Returning users, log in to your existing account.
3.) Once signed in, register for a ‘need.’
4.) You will hear from your project leader about a week before the Day of Service. Your project leader will share more information with you.

TRIO SERVES

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Follow us on Twitter: @UMary_TRIO
Hashtag with us: #WeAreTRIO
TRIO students Abby Loel, Olivia Salonek, and Sarah Rapp served as Peer Leaders for Welcome Week 2019. The Peer Leader (PL) Program is made up of student leaders who volunteer their time to assist in welcoming new students and make the transition to the academic, intellectual, and social community at the University of Mary. Abby, Olivia, and Sarah collectively volunteered for 93.25 hours in one week! This is Abby’s first year, and Olivia’s second year as a Peer Leader. Sarah has volunteered with the PL program for four years, and served as a Peer Team Leader in 2018. Way to go Abby, Olivia, and Sarah!

Natalia Cruz is leading the Marauders with digs this season. She ranks 13th in total digs, 20th in digs per set and 10th in total service aces in the NSIC.

This summer, several Year-Round Campus students traveled to Manitoba, Canada on a cultural excursion. Interesting places visited were the Human Rights Museum, Folklarama, Old Hammock Marsh and the Forks Market. Several TRIO students were part of the expedition.

On Sept. 17 and Sept. 20, Dr. Collins provided tips and strategies to help improve performance in Theology and Philosophy courses.
TRIO Kickoff Event Sept. 26

A big thank you to all who attended. And a special thank you to Sr. Idelle Badt who was the guest speaker. She spoke on grit and resilience.

FALL TUTOR CENTER HOURS
WELDER LIBRARY, ROOM 204
• MONDAY: 4:00-9:00 PM
• TUESDAY: 4:00-9:00 PM
• WEDNESDAY: 4:00-9:00 PM
• THURSDAY: 4:00-9:00 PM
• SUNDAY: 12:00-8:00 PM

UNIVERSITY OF MARY STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER
WRITING CENTER FALL SEMESTER HOURS
Sunday, 1:00 PM-5:00 PM
Tuesday, 4:00 PM-8:00 PM
Thursday, 4:00-8:00 PM
Location: Welder 205
Walk-in sessions are welcome or send drafts for review to writingcentersumary.edu
No scheduled appointments necessary.
Please be prepared to work with our writing consultants!
Bring copies of assignments, rubrics, rough drafts, pens/pencils, etc.