Are you a first-generation and low-income student enrolling at Marquette University? The Student Support Services program is designed to give you the tools and mentorship you need to stay in college and complete your baccalaureate degree.

Since 1969, more than 1,800 SSS students have received their Marquette degrees — moving into successful careers and becoming leaders in a variety of fields, including business, government, health and law.

What services does the program provide?
- A pre-freshmen on-campus summer program
- Academic counseling
- Specialized courses
- Seminars and tutoring
- Personal, career and financial aid counseling
- Need-based financial aid assistance

Marquette’s Educational Opportunity Program

The Educational Opportunity Program makes college a realistic option for low-income, underrepresented and first-generation students. EOP, which is composed of four federally funded TRIO programs, helps more than 500 high school and college students annually attain higher levels of academic achievement, continue their studies, and graduate at rates higher than students from similar backgrounds who do not receive EOP support.

We invite you to contact a member of our staff for more information.

Student Support Services
Phone: 414.288.7593
Fax: 414.288.1769
Email: sss@marquette.edu
marquette.edu/eop
Are you eligible?

We encourage you to apply if you are a highly motivated, first-generation, low-income student applying to Marquette or if you are a current Marquette undergraduate. You apply to the program when you are applying for admission to Marquette. During the spring, EOP–SSS also accepts internal admission applications from current undergraduate students. Most students enroll as entering freshmen so they can participate in the intensive academic summer program. We look for students who demonstrate leadership, motivation, maturity and a genuine interest in pursuing academic goals. You must also demonstrate at least one of the following:

The income of your parent(s)/guardian(s) meets the low-income criteria defined by the U.S. Department of Education at ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/incomelevels.html.

Neither your parent(s) nor guardian(s) has earned a four-year college degree.

How do you apply?

Complete an EOP–SSS application at marquette.edu/eop.

“All aspects of the SSS program empowered me to advance intellectually in ways that, under different conditions, might have been simply impossible. I am absolutely certain that my experiences as a McNair scholar and as an SSS student ensures a successful future for me and for all other students involved.”

— Majidah Murrar, Nurs ’13
Student Support Services and McNair Scholars participant