

WHAT IS UPWARD BOUND?

The Clark Atlanta University TRiO Upward Bound Program is a federally funded college preparatory program for students enrolled in targeted Fulton County Public Schools. The program provides academic support services for income-eligible students, as well as, potential first-generation college students. The program is designed to provide students with the access, skills and motivation needed to successfully transition from high school to college and go on to complete their college education. All Upward Bound program activities and services are free to students enrolled in the program.

THE PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE...

An academic program which will include:

- Saturday academic classes and tutoring
- Weekly School Visits
- Residential Summer Program at CAU
- Classes in Math, Language Arts, & Science
- College and Career Advising
- Cultural Activities
- College Tours
- Weekly Stipend

Each summer, a limited number of rising 9th graders, planning to attend one of our target high schools in the fall, are accepted into our 9th Grade Academy.

These students are traditionally recruited from the middle schools that feed into our target high schools.

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** Clark Atlanta University Upward Bound program is 100% federally funded by the U.S. Department of Education **

Who is Eligible for Upward Bound?

The Clark Atlanta University Upward Bound Program is available to high school students (grades 9-12) enrolled at one of the following high schools:

- Maynard Jackson High School
- The New Schools of Carver
- South Atlanta High School

Additional eligibility requirements include the following:

- Must be U.S. citizen or a permanent resident of the United States.
- Must be from a family that meets the federal income guidelines determined by the Department of Education.
and/or
- A potential first generation college student (neither parent has completed a four-year college degree.)
- Must be enrolled in one of the three schools listed above.
- Must have a desire to participate in all program activities and be willing to work hard.
- Must be committed to attending college.

To view the U.S. Department of Education income guidelines, go to :
www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/incomelevels.html



Application Instructions

Please submit the following documents with your completed application:

- Income verification from parent(s)/guardian(s): 1040 form or financial statement from a governmental source
- Official school transcript or copy of most recent report card and previous year's report card
- Copy of 8th grade standardized test scores.
- Counselor recommendation form.
- Typed student essay
- Front & back copy of health insurance card

Applications are available by contacting the CAU Upward Bound Office or from our website.

<http://www.cau.edu/academics/center-for-academic-student-success/TRiO/index.html>

What We Expect From Our Students

Commitment to the program extends through high school. During this time, Upward Bound staff will work with students individually and in small groups to address their needs, develop their academic potential, and identify and meet realistic goals.

To help ensure success in the program, each Upward Bound student must make a commitment to do the following:

1. Take appropriate but challenging classes each semester.
2. Maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and continue in school until graduation.
3. Achieve passing scores on state assessment tests.
4. Attend Saturday sessions, in-school advisory sessions or after-school sessions, field trips and college tours, and the summer enrichment program on the campus of CAU.
5. Maintain contact with Upward Bound staff members throughout the academic year.
6. Apply to appropriate target colleges/universities. (seniors).
7. Complete a FAFSA and scholarship applications (seniors).