

# PROJECT START

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Project START (Supported Training and Retraining) helps students overcome barriers they may encounter while reaching their academic and career goals. Staff help students by providing financial assistance, helping with study skills and test taking, monitoring class progress, arranging special assistance, and serving as an advocate with instructors and other college personnel.

Students will be connected with a Pathway Navigator who offers guidance and support from the beginning to the end of their educational and career pathway. START assistance is available for a maximum of five consecutive semesters.

Referrals are accepted on an ongoing basis from community agencies and Kirkwood counselors, instructors and staff. Students must apply and be accepted into the program.

Project START began as a cooperative effort between Kirkwood and the Hall-Perrine Foundation, and receives continued funding from the Kirkwood Foundation.