



**McNair Scholars Program  
Wayne State University**

**Participant Application Packet**

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**Eligibility**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I. \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ Banner Id: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship:  US Citizen                      Gender as listed on Government ID:  
 Permanent Resident                       Male                       Female

Resident Alien Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Gender Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment Status:  Full-time  Part-time      Past TRIO Participation:  Yes  No

Disability:  Yes  No      If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you previously earned a bachelor's degree?  Yes       No

(Students earning a second bachelor's degree are ineligible for McNair)

**Ethnicity:**

African American/Black (other than Hispanic)                       Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

American Indian/Native Alaskan                       White

Hispanic/Latino                       Other

**Mark ALL Statements that best describe your first-generation college student status:**

Neither of your natural or adoptive parent(s) have received a four-year college degree.

You are from a single-parent household and lived with a parent prior to age of 18, and that parent has not received a four-year college degree.

You were an orphan or ward of the court.

None of these statements apply.

List all financial assistance you are currently receiving, including scholarships and work-study:

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**Current immediate Household Size & Low-Income Levels (as of January 15, 2025)**

Family Size	Family Taxable Income	Alaska Only	Hawaii Only
1	\$23,475	\$29,325	\$26,985
2	\$31,725	\$39,645	\$36,480
3	\$39,975	\$49,965	\$45,975
4	\$48,225	\$60,285	\$55,470
5	\$56,475	\$70,605	\$64,965
6	\$64,725	\$80,925	\$74,460
7	\$72,975	\$91,245	\$83,955
8	\$81,225	\$101,565	\$93,450

For family units with more than eight members, add the following amounts for each additional family member: \$5,500 for the 48 contiguous states, the District of Columbia, and outlying jurisdictions; \$6,880 for Alaska; and \$6,330 for Hawaii. For more information:

<https://www.ed.gov/about/ed-offices/ope/trio/federal-trio-programs-current-year-low-income-levels>

**ALL APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE INCOME VERIFICATION: COPY OF YOUR OR YOUR PARENT’S FILED FEDERAL 2023 or 2024 INCOME TAX DOCUMENTS OR FAFSA STUDENT AID REPORT.**

I have a strong desire to attain a PhD or other academic (non-professional) doctorate: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Academic Standing as of Fall 2025: \_\_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Winter \_\_\_\_\_ Spring/Summer 20 \_\_\_\_\_

**Prospective Faculty Mentor**

The McNair Scholars Program includes a Mentored Research Experience, in which Scholars complete a research project with a faculty mentor. It is important that each student work closely with a faculty mentor in their field to learn specific details about graduate school expectations related to the field of study. Prior contact with a faculty member is not required. We only require you identify faculty in your discipline/major that you are *interested* in working with. Please list up to three prospective faculty mentors, their department and email.

Faculty Mentor Name	Department	Email
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

**Essay**

Please write an essay outlining your academic and career goals, research interests, your ideas on what a doctoral degree can do for you, your reason for wanting to participate in the McNair Program, and your desire to teach at the college level or conduct scholarly research. *Essays must be typed, a minimum of 300 words, and well-written. Excessive grammatical errors will affect the participant’s eligibility.*

**Complete the following checklist to ensure you have submitted all the required information to receive full consideration.**

- \_\_\_ Participant application packet (completed accurately)
- \_\_\_ Academic Plan via Degree Works signed by your academic advisor
- \_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_ Resume
- \_\_\_ Recommendation Forms (Juniors submit two, Sophomores submit one)

*At least one must be completed by a teaching faculty member in your department, and the other may be completed by an academic advisor, college counselor, or work supervisor. If you are or were a participant of another TRIO program, one from your counselor or director of that program.*

- \_\_\_ Unofficial College Transcript
- \_\_\_ Income Verification: Copy of your 2023- or 2024-income tax documents, or FAFSA Student Aid Report(SAR), that shows your taxable income. If you were claimed as a dependent, we will also need your parent's filed federal 2023- or 2024-income tax documents that shows their taxable income.

*Dependent students are only required to submit their parent's information and independent students are only required to submit their own information. Dependency status determined by Federal Aid regulations.*

**By my signature below, I certify that the information I provided on and in connection with this application is true, accurate and complete.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

<b>For Office Use Only:</b>	
___ Signed Application	Eligibility: ___ LIFG or ___ UR
___ Essay	___ Reported Income
___ Resume	___ Family Size
___ Unofficial Transcript	___ GPA
___ Recommendation (Faculty)	___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior
___ Recommendation	Status: ___ Accepted
___ Academic Plan of Work	___ Denied (Reason) _____
___ Tax Document/FAFSA	
Approval: Program Director _____	Date _____