

**McNair Scholars Program**

**Admissions Application**

**SPRING APPLICATION DEADLINE - FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018**

PROGRAM GOALS

The **McNair Scholars Program**, funded by a federal TRIO education grant, is designed to provide select college students with effective preparation for doctoral study. Admitted students will have approximately two years remaining until graduation. Program participants engage in research, seminars and educational activities that promote scholarly development and readiness for graduate studies. Services provided to students by the **McNair Scholars Program** include faculty-mentored research opportunities, graduate application assistance, academic advising, college visits, non-credit workshops and exposure to cultural events. McNair Scholars receive a stipend of up to $2,800 per academic year, based on completing specific program milestones. Additionally, McNair Scholars are provided support in securing admission and funding for graduate studies.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

 **A OR B**

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| * Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S., Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, or a resident of one of the Freely Associated States.

**AND*** Completed at least 60 credits (**Transfer students must have completed one semester at Rutgers University–Newark).**
* Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher
* Be a first-generation **AND** low income college student

(For information on Federal TRIO Program Low Income Levels see [**www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/incomelevels.html**](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Crex%5CAppData%5CRoaming%5CMicrosoft%5CWord%5Cwww.ed.gov%5Cabout%5Coffices%5Clist%5Cope%5Ctrio%5Cincomelevels.html)) | * Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S., Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, or a resident of one of the Freely Associated States.

**AND*** Completed at least 60 **credits (Transfer students must have completed one semester at Rutgers University–Newark).**
* Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher
* Be an underrepresented student as define Federal regulations define groups underrepresented in U.S. graduate education as Black (non-Hispanic), Hispanic, American Indian, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiians, or Native American Pacific Islanders.
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Students seeking professional graduate degrees in fields, such as Business (M.B.A.), Law (J.D.), Dentistry (D.D.S.), Medicine (M.D.), K-12 Education (M.S.Ed.), Nursing (M.S.N.) Social Work (M.S.W.), Public Administration (M.P.A.), etc., are ineligible for the program, and should consult other Rutgers University–Newark campus resources, such as program advisors for assistance.

**If you have met the above eligibility requirements,**

**please complete and submit the application to 121 Bradley Hall.**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**To ensure immediate review of your application, please be sure to submit the following:**

 **A complete application form with appropriate signature(s)**

 **Two recommendation letters, one of which must be from a faculty member in your major**

 **Unofficial Rutgers University–Newark transcript**

**Signed Copy of the most recent parent(s) or individual Federal Tax Return**

**OR**

**Income Verification Letter from an appropriate agency, such as the Social Security Administration**

Please note, as a U.S. Department of Education federally funded program, the following questions based upon the served population, are required. These categories are reported anonymously. The information provided will remain confidential; and any income information you provide will not affect your financial aid status. **Please complete electronically.**

PART I: DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

|  |  |  |
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| First Name: **Enter First Name** | Last Name: **Enter Last Name** | Middle Initial: **Enter Middle Initial** |
| Address **Enter Address** | Apt: **Enter Apartment Number** |
| City: **Enter City** | State: **Enter State** | Zip Code: **Enter Zip Code** |
| Date of Birth: **Enter Birth Date** | Sex**: Choose an item.** |
| Home Phone: **Enter Home Phone** | Work Phone: **Enter Work Phone** | Cell Phone **Enter Cell Phone** |
| Email Address**: Enter Email Address** | RUID#:  **Enter RUID** |

PART II: ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

**VERIFICATION OF U. S. CITIZENSHIP/ PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS**

Social Security Number**:** **Enter Social Security Number**

Are you a United States citizen?

If not, what is your country of citizenship? **Enter County of Origin**

If you are a Permanent Resident, please provide your Alien Registration Number:

 **Enter Alien Registration Number**

If you are a Permanent Resident you must provide a copy Alien Registration Card (front and back).

**ETHNICITY AND RACE**

Please respond to each of the following two questions.

1. Ethnicity: Are you Hispanic/Latino?
2. Race (please check all that apply):

[ ] Black or African American [ ] American Indian or Alaska Native

[ ] Asian [ ] Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

[ ] White [ ] Other, please specify: Please Specify

PART II: ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION CONTINUED

**PARENTS’ EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Please respond to each of the following two questions.

With whom do you live currently?

[ ] Both parents/adoptive parents [ ] Father/adoptive father only

[ ] Guardian(s) [ ] Mother/adoptive mother only

[x] Other: **Please Specify**

With whom did you reside prior to age 18?

[ ] Both parents/adoptive parents [ ] Father/adoptive father only

[ ] Guardian(s) [ ] Mother/adoptive mother only

[ ] Other: **Please Specify**

Check the highest education level completed by each parent

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Elementary School | GED/High School | 2 Year College | 4 Year College (Received Bachelor’s Degree |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Mother/adoptive |  |  |  |  |
| Father/adoptive |  |  |  |  |

If your parent(s) graduated from a four-year college, what country was the degree completed in and what degree was received?

Mother: Country: **Enter Country**

Degree: **Enter Degree**

Father: Country: **Enter Country**

Degree: **Enter Degree**

PART III: EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

What is your intended major? **Enter Major**

How many college credits have you completed? **Enter Total Credits**

What is your cumulative GPA? **Enter Major**

When do you plan to graduate? **Enter Anticipated Graduation**

Are you affiliated with any special programs at Rutgers University–Newark? (Please check all that apply).

[ ]  EOF [ ]  HONORS COLLEGE [ ]  HLLC [ ]  SSS [ ]  LSAMP

Are you a **TRIO** Alum?

If yes, please check all that apply

[ ] SSS [ ]  McNair [ ] TALENT SEARCH [ ] UPWARD BOUND

[ ] GEAR-UP [ ] EOC Please indicate college: **Enter College**

PART IV: RESEARCH ACTIVITY & INTERESTS

Have you been involved in any research activity?

If yes, please explain below (in about 150 words):

**Please briefly explain your research interests**.

Please state briefly (in about 150 words) your academic goals and how participation in the McNair Scholars Program will assist you in achieving these goals. (Use additional paper if necessary.)

**Please answer briefly.**

PART V: CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

This release form enables the **McNair Scholars Program** at Rutgers University–Newark to obtain copies of information regarding admission, financial aid, and grade reports for the purpose of determining eligibility, developing educational plans, and reporting program statistics. Aspects of this information and the nature of your participation in the **McNair Scholars Program** may be shared with other university personnel in accordance with federal regulations and University policy. You have access to all of your records with the Program, excluding letters of recommendation.

With my signature, I hereby grant permission to the staff of Rutgers University–Newark, and specifically the **McNair Scholars Program**, to access my student records including academic, enrollment, and financial aid award information from the college(s)/university(s) I have attended, currently attend, or will attend.

I understand that all information will remain confidential and that the information shall only be transferred to a third party outside Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey and the McNair Scholars Program on the condition that my written consent is first obtained.

IN ADDITION, I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE.

Student Signature:  **Please Enter Digital Signature** Date: **Enter Date**

Parent/Guardian Signature:\* **Please Enter Digital Signature** Date: **Enter Date**

\*(only required for students under 18)

**To ensure timely review of your application, please submit all required documents.**

STAFF USE ONLY

Reviewer 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer 3: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Interview Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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