



McNair Scholars Program

APPLICATION DATA

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Central Michigan University
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EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Major Field of Study: _____

Minor, Specialization, or Dual Major: _____

Research Interest(s) Within Major Field: _____

Class Standing: _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Other: _____
(please specify)

Total Credits Earned to Date: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____ Major GPA: _____

College Start Date: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____
Month/Year Month/Year

Do you receive a Pell Grant? _____ Yes _____ No

Are you a transfer student? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, where did you attend: _____

Have you ever been a McNair Scholar? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, when? _____ At what institution? _____

If you've participated in any undergraduate research, please explain: _____

Do you plan to apply to graduate school? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you plan to apply to professional school? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, when do you anticipate attending? _____

What type of graduate program(s) are you interested in? _____

Which universities interest you for graduate study? _____

What are your future aspirations or career goals? _____

FAMILY'S FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The collection financial information is required to comply with federal regulations and verify student eligibility for the McNair Scholars Program. For verification we need the **taxable income** and number of dependents as reported on your parent or guardian's most recent tax return. (If you are no longer a being claimed as a dependent, we will need your tax return.)

****You are required to upload a copy the tax return for verification. Please make a copy and black out all social security numbers before uploading. (Typically, we only need the first two pages of the Federal return or 1040.)***

Year of tax return: _____ Number of dependents: _____ Taxable income: _____

FAMILY'S EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION – At least one letter must be from a faculty member in your major, academic department, or college who can best assess your ability for academic research and your motivation to attend graduate school (preferably both letters are academically oriented). If necessary, the other letter may be from an employer or academic advisor who can attest to your work ethic, character, and level of motivation and/or interest in graduate school. ****Please direct each recommender to mcnair.cmich.edu/letterofrec to complete the online form. They will be asked to upload their letter of recommendation directly to mcnair.cmich.edu/recupload.***

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PERSONAL STATEMENT – Concisely explain your academic and professional goals. Indicate why graduate school (specifically a Ph.D.) is important in your field of study. Describe how the McNair Scholars Program can benefit you. Highlight the unique skills and/or experiences that would make you a strong candidate for the program. The statement should range between 600-750 words and include your name and contact information. ****You will be required to upload your personal statement with the application prior to submitting.***

RESUME – Current resume including work history, education, skills, awards, and other pertinent information (should be 1-2 pages in length). ****You will be required to upload your resume with the application prior to submitting.***

COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT(S) – Please attach a transcript from all institutions you have attended. You may print an unofficial copy from your student account online. ****You will be required to upload your transcripts with the application prior to submitting.***

REFERRAL – If applicable, please give the name of the person who first encouraged you to apply to the McNair Scholars Program. If you are self-referred, please tell us where or how you heard about the program.

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SAMPLE RECOMMENDATION FORM

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The McNair Scholars Program assists low-income, first generation college students and/or those considered underrepresented in higher education, with preparation for graduate study. McNair scholars conduct original research under the guidance of a faculty mentor and receive training in academic writing, communication, and preparation for graduate school ***with the expectation that they ultimately achieve a doctorate.***

Please help us assess the academic potential and motivation of this student. What is your frank appraisal of the applicant's promise as a graduate student and future scholar? What are the applicant's greatest strengths and areas of weakness? Describe your level of interaction with the student and whether you feel he/she fits within the goals of the program.

Along with this completion of this form, you can upload your letter of recommendation at mcnair.cmich.edu/recupload. Please include your title, institution, and contact information in your letter of recommendation.

Summary Evaluation: (please check one for each criteria)

In comparison with a representative group of students in the same field with the same level of experience and training, how does this applicant rate in the following areas?

	BELOW AVERAGE	AVERAGE	ABOVE AVERAGE	GOOD	EXCELLENT	UNABLE TO JUDGE
	Lowest 40%	Middle 20%	Next 15%	Next Highest 15%	Highest 10%	
Academic Aptitude and Potential for Graduate Work						
Present Academic Performance in Area of Concentration						
Motivation for the Proposed Program of Study						

(Signature)

(Date)

Please include your title, institution, and contact information in your letter of recommendation.