TRIO RONALD E. MCNAIR SCHOLARS PROGRAM



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate
Achievement Program is a federal TRIO program
funded at 187 institutions across the United States
and Puerto Rico by the U.S. Department of
Education. It is designed to prepare undergraduate
students for doctoral studies through involvement
in research and other scholarly activities. McNair
participants are either first-generation college
students with financial need, or members of a
group that is traditionally underrepresented in
graduate education and have demonstrated strong
academic potential. The goal of the Ronald E.
McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program
is to increase graduate degree awards for students
from underrepresented segments of society.

The TRIO Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program at NC State serves 25 undergraduate students annually.

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APPLY TODAY

Applications will be accepted January 30th-March 16th

- Completed and Signed Application
- Recommendation Letters & Forms from two Faculty Members
- Personal Statement
- Writing Sample
- Resume

APPLICATION MATERIALS
AVAILABLE AT:
http://go.ncsu.edu/mcnairapp

ELIGIBILITY

- First generation AND low-income OR underrepresented in graduate education*
- Have a minimum of 3.0 GPA**
- Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at NC State
- Must have a minimum 30 credit hours completed by the end of the spring semester with at least 4 semesters left before graduation
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- MUST have a desire to attain a Ph.D. or Ed.D.

*First generation definition, income requirements, and underrepresented status determined by federal guidelines.

**Students with a GPA below a 3.0 may apply for the program but should explain how they will increase their GPA to be competitive for graduate admissions.



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FACULTY MENTOR

Being a Faculty Mentor entails providing support for scholars in their research interests, professional work habits, and guiding them through their graduate school search & funding opportunities. Faculty Mentors will lead scholars in the McNair Summer Research Experience by providing motivation, support, and direction. Faculty Mentors should also help the scholar understand the rigors of graduate school and encourage the scholar to think critically and ask questions.

INTEREST FORM

go.ncsu.edu/mcnairfacultymentor

SUMMER RESEARCH

The McNair Summer
Research Experience
provides participants with
the opportunity to develop
and explore, in collaboration
with a faculty mentor, a
research area related to their
interests. This collaboration
is intended to introduce
students to the nature of
graduate study, scholarly
activity and research
careers.



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