Thank you for applying to the Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program also referred to as the “McNair Scholars Program”. The McNair Scholars Program is a very exciting and valuable opportunity to advance your academic career. Students planning to enroll in STEM fields for graduate study are especially encouraged to apply. However, students from all CSUDH majors are eligible. Applications for the 2014-2015 academic year are now being accepted and should be turned into the McNair office (LIB 4516) by November 1, 2014 for priority consideration. Applications received after November 1, 2014 will be considered only as space is available.

Before you continue, please carefully read over the eligibility section below to confirm your qualifications.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Students are eligible to apply if the applicant has at least a 3.0 GPA and an interest in pursuing a Ph.D. Twenty-five students will be considered on a competitive basis. In addition, applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. A U.S. citizen or permanent resident
2. Sophomore, junior or senior status
3. A first generation college student who is ALSO low income (i.e., Pell grant- eligible)
   OR
   A member of a group under-represented in graduate study (African-American, Hispanic, Native American)

**YOUR IMMEDIATE HOUSEHOLD IS MADE UP OF/OR LESS:**
(Effective January 26, 2012 Family TAXABLE INCOME)

| Size of Family Unit | 48 Contiguous States,       | NOTE: For family units with more than eight members, add the following amount for each additional family member: $6,030. The term "low-income individual" means an individual whose family's taxable income for the preceding year did not exceed 150 percent of the poverty level amount. For more info:  
|--------------------|----------------------------|http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/incomelevels.html |
| 1                  | $17,505                    |                                                                      |
| 2                  | $23,595                    |                                                                      |
| 3                  | $29,685                    |                                                                      |
| 4                  | $35,775                    |                                                                      |
| 5                  | $41,865                    |                                                                      |
| 6                  | $47,955                    |                                                                      |
| 7                  | $54,054                    |                                                                      |
| 8                  | $60,135                    |                                                                      |
CSUDH McNair Scholars 2014-2015 Application Packet

McNair Application Process

There are two phases to the McNair Scholars Application.

**Phase I: Application**

Below is the Phase 1 of the Application process. **You are strongly encouraged to fill this out as soon as possible.**

*One week after turning in the application, we will notify students that have been selected to move into Phase II. These students should pick up the Phase II portion of the Application from the McNair office (SCC 404).*

**Phase II: Essays and Supporting Documents**

ALL of the following turned in to the McNair Office (LIB 4516- 4th floor):

1. Personal Statement (500 words)
2. Statement of Intended Research (500 words)
3. Transcripts (unofficial ok) from all colleges and universities attended
4. Two letters of recommendation from CSUDH faculty members **OR**
   one letter of recommendation from a CSUDH faculty member stating they agree to be your faculty research mentor
5. Current year 1040 tax forms for your household (include parents’ if considered a dependent student by financial aid) **OR** copy of your 2014 Student Aid Report (SAR)
6. Copy of social security card
7. Copy of driver’s license or state identification card

Following the review of students’ essays and supporting documents, qualified students will be selected for an interview for final consideration for the 2014-2015 McNair Scholars Cohort.
Part I: Applicant Information

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Ethnic Heritage:

- __African American
- __Caucasian
- __Native American
- __Asian American
- __Latino/Chicano
- __Alaskan Native

Part II: Academic Information

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<th>Year in School:</th>
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<td>Are you a transfer student?</td>
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*If yes, list colleges attended below and provide transcripts.

Indicate Program Participation at CSUDH or other college, if any:

- __Student Support Services (SSS)
- __Upward Bound
- Other (please list):
- __Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)
- __MBRS/RISE
- __________________________
- __Presidential Scholar
- __MARC/ U*STAR
- __________________________
Part III: Family Information

Does someone claim you as a dependent for tax purposes for 2012 calendar year?
Yes  No   Name of that person:

That person's relationship to you:

Did your most recent FAFSA award include a Pell grant?
Yes  No

Name of Mother/Guardian:

Highest Grade Completed by Mother: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15
College Degree Earned, If Any: _____Bachelor’s _____Master’s _____Doctorate

Name of Father/Guardian:

Highest Grade Completed by Father: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15
College Degree Earned, If Any: _____Bachelor’s _____Master’s _____Doctorate

Current Employment Information

Are you employed, or will be employed during the school year?
Yes  No   Average Hours per week: Primary Reason for working:

Is your work schedule flexible?  Yes  No

Do you have other commitments such as volunteer work, campus club or organization?  Yes  No

Please list and include average number of hours per week:
Part IV: Research Interest

Is there a CSUDH faculty you are currently conducting research with for 2014/2015?  Yes  No

If you have had prior research experience in a university setting, briefly describe what you accomplished and name the professor(s) with whom you worked.

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Who is your first choice CSUDH faculty mentor? __________________________________________________________

Part V: Future Plans

Do you intend to pursue a professional degree (MD, JD, or MBA)?  Yes  No  Maybe

Do you intend to pursue a doctoral degree (PhD or EdD)?  Yes  No  Maybe

Please list the top three graduate schools and program student is interested in applying to. Please indicate the type of program (i.e., University of North Dakota, Experimental Psychology; USC Social Work, etc).

School 1:

School 2:

School 3:

What is the most important question you have about attending graduate/professional school?
Part VI: Certification

I understand that I will be asked to provide documentation to verify some or all of the statements I have enclosed in this application. In particular, I will provide my resume or curriculum vitae and appropriate supplemental materials in order to complete the first phase of the application process. Furthermore, I understand that the information I have provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge; and I understand and agree that this application will not be valid if information is withheld or misinformation given, and that admission into McNair through an invalid application may be cancelled or denied. I understand all credentials and documents submitted with this application become the property of McNair and will not be returned to me. I understand and agree that McNair reserves the right to verify the information contained in this application and that program staff will review my student records at CSUDH and future universities for enrollment verification.

I agree with all the statements written above.

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Please submit your application in person to:

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California State University, Dominguez Hills  
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Carson, CA 90747  
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