



McNair Scholars Program

The McNair Scholars Program is a federally-funded program designed to increase the number of first-generation, low-income, and ethnic minority individuals who pursue doctoral study.

During the academic year, students participate in activities that support and encourage a high level of educational achievement. In addition, the program will also offer a series of workshops (“How to succeed in Graduate School”) as well as other cultural and educational activities. The academic year activities are specifically designed to prepare students to be candidates for the next summer’s research component.

To apply, please submit all required documents to the McNair Scholars Program in Farrington 111-H or mail to the address listed below.

- **Program Application**
- **Letter of recommendation (if included in the packet; otherwise mail to Campus Mail Box 2359)**
- **Unofficial transcript***
- **Copy of most recent tax return***
- **1-page personal statement (detailing your plans for graduate studies).****

*Please include a copy of your **unofficial academic transcript** and a copy of your **most recent tax return**.*

Please include a **one-page personal statement detailing your graduate school plans, including a timeline and type of degree you will be seeking.

Submit to:

**Dr. Lydia Fox
Farrington 111-H
Sam Houston State University
Huntsville, TX 77340-2359
Phone: 936-294-3279**

Deadline for Submission of Applications – September 22, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.



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Do You Qualify? Form

SHSU McNair Scholars Program – participants must be SHSU students with a minimum GPA of 3.0, juniors or seniors, and U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Please check all of the following provisions that apply.

- | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. You are a member of a group that is underrepresented in graduate studies (African-American, Hispanic, Native American, Native Alaskan, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. You are a first-generation college student. (Neither of your parents has a 4-year college degree). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. One of the statements below regarding income applies to you. (Students will be required to furnish documentation of income, i.e. tax return, W-2 forms). |

Your Immediate Household Is Made Up Of/Or Less: Effective January 12, 2022 Total Family Income

- | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | One person yourself included | \$20,385.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Two persons yourself included | \$27,465.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three persons yourself included | \$34,545.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four persons yourself included | \$41,625.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five persons yourself included | \$48,705.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Six persons yourself included | \$55,785.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Seven persons yourself included | \$62,865.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Eight persons yourself included | \$69,945.00 |

I certify that the information stated above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I further grant permission to the McNair Scholars Program to access any of my educational records.

Name

Signature

Date



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For Office Use Only:	
1 st Generation:	_____
Low Income:	_____
Underrepresented:	_____

Program Application

Name: _____ **SSN#** ____ - ____ - ____
 Full name as it appears on your Driver's License

Sam ID: _____

Local Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Local Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Permanent Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

SHSU Email: _____

Personal Email: _____

Major: _____ **Minor:** _____

Classification: **Sophomore** **Date Degree Expected:** _____
 Junior **SHSU GPA:** _____ **Overall GPA:** _____
 Senior **GPA in Major:** _____

Gender: Male Female _____ (fill in the blank) Prefer not to disclose

Ethnicity: African-American Hispanic Pacific Islander Alaskan Native
 American Indian Caucasian Asian Other: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ **Birthplace:** _____

Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Permanent Resident Other



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What is the highest level of education attained by:

Mother: Elementary High School Two-year degree Bachelor's Degree
 Graduate/Professional Degree

Father: Elementary High School Two-year degree Bachelor's Degree
 Graduate/Professional Degree

Are you eligible for Financial Aid? Yes No
If yes, what type? Pell Grant Loan Other

How did you hear about the McNair Scholars Program?

McNair website Facebook/Instagram page Program Banner (outside LSC)
 Flyer Referral (If so, name the person who referred you: _____)
 Other (Explain: _____)

Please list one SHSU faculty member who will write a letter of recommendation for you:

Name

Department

****Letters of recommendation may be included in the application packet or mailed directly to Dr. Fox at Box 2359.****

McNair Program Requirements by Semester

Fall: Attend McNair workshops (will be scheduled later).

Spring: Enroll in a three-hour research course (MCNR 4301) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Summer: Engage in research and attend weekly meetings for an eight-week period.



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Release of Information Authorization

I authorize Sam Houston State University to share all required and requested information with the Director of the McNair Program.

I authorize the Sam Houston State University *Financial Aid Office* to release my financial information for the academic year to the SHSU McNair Program. This information will be used to verify financial eligibility for the McNair Program.

Printed Name

Signature

Social Security Number

Date

****Please read page 1 for a complete list of application requirements****