

**Gateway to McNair Scholars Program Application**

The SLU Gateway to McNair Scholars Program serves as a pipeline to SLU McNair by expanding the pool of qualified applicants. Eligible first-year students, as well as those who have been waitlisted for SLU McNair due to space limitation, receive access to mentorship from current graduate students and current McNair Scholars. They also receive education on the process to PhD attainment and attend select workshops with current McNair scholars.

# Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible for participation in the Gateway to McNair Scholars Program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

* Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.
* Be enrolled in one of the four year universities within the St. Louis Area
* Be a first-generation college student with demonstrated financial need as outlined by the

U.S. Department of Education OR a member of a group that is underrepresented in graduation

education: American Indian, Alaskan Native, Black (Non-Hispanic) or African-American, Hispanic

or Latino, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander.

Priority consideration will be given to students who meet the above eligibility requirements and have a cumulative of 3.0 or higher.



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# Application Checklist

### Before you submit your application to the McNair Scholars Program, be sure you have each of the following:

* A completed, signed application
* A copy of your unofficial transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
* Please note that proof of income will be require for Gateway to McNair scholars who get admitted into the McNair Scholars Program.



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**PART I: PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Last Name First Name Middle Name Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): / / Gender: M F

University where you are enrolled:

☐ Saint Louis University ☐ Fontbonne University ☐ Harris–Stowe State University

☐ University of Missouri–St. Louis ☐ Washington University ☐ Webster University

Do you currently reside on or off campus?

☐ On Campus ☐ Off Campus ☐ Off Campus with Parent/Guardian

Campus Address City State Zip code

( ) ( ) Campus Telephone Cell Phone

Permanent Home Address City State Zip code ( )

Permanent Home Telephone BANNER/Student ID #

Campus E-mail Address Personal/Alternate E-mail Address

**PART II: Eligibility**

## Citizenship:

### ☐ U.S. Citizen

☐ U.S. Permanent Resident (Submit a copy of your Green Card with this application)

**Ethnicity (Check all that apply):**

☐ Black or African American ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Asian American

☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander ☐ White/Caucasian

☐ Other (please specify):

**First-Generation Status:**

Highest Grade Completed by Father (Please Circle): 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 College degree earned, if any:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ☐ | Associate’s | ☐ | Bachelor’s ☐ | Master’s |
| ☐ | Professional Degree | ☐ | Doctorate |  |

Highest Grade Completed by Mother (Please Circle): 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 College degree earned, if any:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ☐ | Associate’s | ☐ | Bachelor’s ☐ | Master’s |
| ☐ | Professional Degree | ☐ | Doctorate |  |

Which parent did you primarily reside with and receive support from prior to the age of 18?

☐ Mother (natural or adoptive) ☐ Father (natural or adoptive)

☐ Both Mother and Father ☐ Neither Mother nor Father

I (Print Name), , hereby certify that I am a first-generation college student.

Signature: Date:

**PART II: Eligibility (Continued)**

## Financial Information:

### Are you currently eligible to receive federal financial aid? ☐ Yes ☐ No

### Regarding your financial aid status, are you considered dependent or independent?

(If you are unsure, please visit https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/filling-out/dependency)

### Dependent

Provide Parents’ Tax Information Below

Total federal **TAXABLE** income:

### Number of immediate family members in your household, including yourself:

* Independent

Provide Your Tax Information Below

Total federal **TAXABLE** income:

### Number of immediate family members in your household, including yourself:

Federal TRIO Programs Current-Year Low-Income Levels (Effective **January 11, 2019** until further notice)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Size of Family Unit | 48 Contiguous States, D.C., and Outlying Jurisdictions | Alaska | Hawaii |
| 1 | $18,735 | $23,400 | $21,570 |
| 2 | $25,365 | $31,695 | $29,190 |
| 3 | $31,995 | $39,990 | $36,810 |
| 4 | $38,625 | $48,285 | $44,430 |
| 5 | $45,255 | $56,580 | $52,050 |
| 6 | $51,885 | $64,875 | $59,670 |
| 7 | $58,515 | $73,170 | $67,290 |
| 8 | $65,145 | $81,465 | $74,910 |

**PART III: Academic Information**

## Academic Goals & Interests:

### Are you interested in graduate study?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am not sure

Are you interested in getting a Ph.D.?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ I am not sure

If you marked ‘yes’ for the question above, in what field do you plan to pursue a Ph.D.?

Please indicate your projected start date for graduate school. Semester (fall, spring): Year:

List 2-4 universities that you are considering for graduate school.

1.

### 2.

3.

### 4.

List 1-2 research topics below that are of interest to you.

1.

### 2.

**PART III: Academic Information (Continued)**

## Current Academic Standing (Based on earned credit hours):

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ☐ | Freshman (0-29 credit hours) | ☐ | Sophomore (30-59 credit hours) |
| ☐ | Junior (60-89 credit hours) | ☐ | Senior (90-120+ credit hours) |

### College: Department: Major:

Have you taken a research methods course in your major? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Cumulative GPA: Anticipated Graduation Date:

Do you plan to study abroad? ☐ Yes, in (semester/year): ☐ No How many credit hours are you currently taking? credit hrs.

Have you participated in any of the following programs? (Check all that apply)

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ☐ | Educational Talent Search (ETS) | ☐ | Student Support Services (SSS) |
| ☐ | Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC) | ☐ | Upward Bound |
| ☐ | Gear Up | ☐ | Upward Bound Math-Science |
| ☐ | McNair Scholars Program |  |  |

**PART IV: Statement of Purpose**

**Why would you like to participate in the Gateway to McNair Scholars Program?**

**(Please attached additional pages if need)**

**PART V: Applicant Agreement**

**Please read the following statements below carefully and complete the certification statement at the bottom of this page.**

By submitting an application to the Gateway to McNair Scholars Program at Saint Louis University, I acknowledge the following:

* I understand that I must complete all sections of this application, as well as submit additional supporting documentation (proof of citizenship, if applicable, statement of purpose, and unofficial transcripts) in order to be considered for admission to the Gateway to McNair Scholars Program at Saint Louis University. My application will be considered incomplete until all required documents have been received by the McNair Program Office.
* I understand that submitting this application does not guarantee my acceptance into the Gateway to McNair Scholars Program or the McNair Scholars Program.
* All of the information that I have provided on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, I understand that if there is evidence that I have provided any false information, I am subject to removal from the program.

### I (Print Name), , hereby certify that the above information is true.

Signature: Date:

**Please return all application materials to:**

**Sunita Manu**

**Graduate Assistant, McNair Scholars Program**

**Center for Global Citizenship, Suite 130**

**3672 West Pine Mall,**

**St. Louis, MO 63108**

**-OR-**

**Scan and e-mail to:**

**slumcnair@slu.edu**