Title: Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program & Research Opportunity Program

Office of Origin: Office of Academic Affairs

Description: Information from the web on the McNair/ROP programs that provide opportunities and support to first generation, low income, and/or minority undergraduate students.
Two Programs, One Mission!

Our Mission
The mission of the University of New Mexico Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program and the Research Opportunity Program (ROP) is to prepare high achieving undergraduate students for admission into graduate school to pursue master's and doctoral degrees. The McNair/ROP programs offer eligible students the opportunity to conduct faculty mentored research as well as travel opportunities and support during the graduate application process.

Who We Serve
The McNair/ROP programs serve students who are first generation to college, low income, and/or members of ethnic groups traditionally underrepresented in graduate school. Members of the programs' participants in numerous activities designed to prepare them for the rigorous nature of graduate school. Students who complete the program have been admitted to and served at some of the nation's most prestigious institutions.

The McNair Scholars Program is a federal TRIO program funded at approximately $241,000. It is interpreted to mean that the United States and Puerto Rico by the U.S. Department of Education. TRIO is funded by the US Department of Education.

What benefits do participants receive?
- Summer Research Fellowship for up to $3,000
- Professional development opportunities and research conferences across the nation
- Travel opportunities to study at other universities across the country
- Students compete in a research project under the guidance of a faculty mentor
- Monthly seminars that prepare students for research and applications to graduate school
- Successful McNair Scholars will have access to McNair specific graduate school application filing services, scholarships/fellowships offered by a number of universities nationwide
- McNair Scholars receive intensive mentorship.
- McNair Scholars receive Graduate Record Exam (GRE) prep courses
- McNair Scholars have access to McNair research training programs
- McNair Scholars have been admitted to graduate school
- McNair Scholars are part of a community of scholars both at UNM and nationwide
- McNair Scholars participate in programs that are geared towards graduate school
- Because of these intense programs, McNair Scholars are recruited by graduate schools nationwide

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- For more information, visit our website or contact us.

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