



McNair Scholars Program | Suffolk University

PROGRAM APPLICATION

The Suffolk McNair Scholars Program is a federally funded TRIO program sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. Acceptance into the program is highly competitive and is contingent upon meeting eligibility criteria and space availability. Please answer all relevant questions below. All information will be kept confidential.

CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATION

Please check off that you are a certified citizen, national, or permanent resident of the United States and attest your selection with your initials below:

I am a Citizen, National, or Permanent Resident of the UNITED STATES

_____ With my initials, I attest that the above selection concerning my citizenship is true.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Legal Name: _____ Preferred Name: _____

Suffolk ID #: _____ Suffolk Email: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Sex*: M or F (*at birth as required only by the US Dept of Education)

Gender Identity: _____ Preferred Pronouns: _____

Are you Hispanic or Latina/o/x? Yes or No

Federal regulations require all applicants to indicate the racial and ethnic categories they belong to. Do you belong to each of these racial groups?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian (North/Central/South) | <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> White |

EDUCATION INFORMATION

What was the first semester you ever enrolled in a college or university (e.g., Fall 2017)? _____

Have you ever attended a community college for a degree or a certificate program that was not part of a high school dual-enrollment or summer bridge program? Y/N

Are you considered a transfer student to Suffolk University? Yes or No

Current Year at Suffolk: _____ Current classification at Suffolk: _____

Expected Graduation Date (Month/Year): _____ Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

What is your proposed field of graduate study? _____

Have you ever been enrolled in a doctoral program at an institution of higher education? Yes or No

FIRST-GENERATION STATUS

Which of the following was true at the time of your 18th birthday?

- I certify that I did not regularly receive support from ANY parent prior to the age of 18
- I certify that I resided with a SINGLE parent, and they had not completed a bachelor’s degree in the U.S.
- I certify that I resided with BOTH parents and NEITHER had completed a bachelor’s degree in the U.S.
- I certify that either ONE of BOTH parents whom I resided with HAD completed a bachelor’s degree in the U.S.

_____ With my initials, I attest that the above selection concerning my first-generation status is true. If I selected options A, B, or C, I attest that I am a First-Generation college student as defined by the US Dept of Edu.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY AND TAX FORM REQUIREMENTS

Federal regulations require all McNair Grantees to check a participants’ federal income status – both family size and taxable income – to determine one possible eligibility component of the application. This is the same information you would have provided the FAFSA when submitting it.

- I am claimed by my parents on the Income Tax
- I am not on my parents Income Tax Returns

By checking off the following items I understand that:

- If I completed a FAFSA, I am required to submit my Student Aid Report (SAR) to the McNair Program.
- If my SAR does not include enough information to verify my income eligibility, I will be required to provide my parent(s) IRS Form 1040 or my own, depending on their ability to claim me as their dependent.

RECOMMENDER INFORMATION

Please include the names of two individuals who can serve as recommenders for your application. We will reach out to them directly on your behalf. At least one recommender MUST be a professor/faculty member at Suffolk University.

Recommender 1: _____ Job Title: _____

Department/Organization: _____ Email: _____

Recommender 2: _____ Job Title: _____

Department/Organization: _____ Email: _____

OTHER REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

In addition to the FAFSA SAR and/or tax forms mentioned above, you will be asked to submit the following documents to complete your application: (1) **Personal and Research Statement**; (2) **Resume or Curriculum Vitae**; (3) **Academic Writing Sample**; (4) **Unofficial Transcript**. A staff member may reach out to request them from you, or you may get a head start and send them as PDFs or Microsoft Word documents by email to mcnair@suffolk.edu.

CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby certify that the information in this program application, including academic and eligibility information, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further authorize the McNair Scholars Program at Suffolk University to receive copies of my academic transcripts, obtain verification of my taxable income on my most recent FAFSA from the Office of Financial Aid, and/or gain access to any other information from my academic records pertaining to my enrollment and participation in the McNair Scholars Program – over the course of my tenure in the program and for 10 years after my graduation from Suffolk University – as required by the federal regulations for tracking.

Applicant’s Signature

Date