

McNair Scholars Program Graduate School Application Timeline

June

- ... Create/Revise CV/Resume
- ... Create a graduate school list on excel: program names, required materials, deadlines, GRE requirements, recommenders, faculty match
- ... Prepare a writing sample if needed
- ... Create/Revise Personal Statement Draft
- ... Submit a draft to McNair
- ... Review national fellowship opportunities

July-August

- ... Study for GRE
- ... Register for the GRE
- ... Current major GRE scores (if applicable): _____
- ... Reach out to potential faculty/grad students at prospective graduate programs
- ... Revise CV/Resume & Personal Statement Draft

September

- ... Retake GREs (ONLY if necessary)
- ... Revise personal statements & CV/Resume (edit with faculty, McNair, GSRC, writing center)
- ... Create a folder that includes: CV, Personal Statement, List of schools, deadlines
- ... Ask for letters of recommendation and provide folder for grad school and fellowships
- ... Begin fellowship applications

October

- ... Submit FAFSA Oct 1
- ... Apply to fellowships, scholarships, and grants
- ... Revise CV/Resume & Personal Statement Draft
- ... Submit Revised materials to McNair
- ... Check in with recommenders

November

- ... Submit fellowship applications
- ... Finalize graduate applications
- ... Finalize Personal Statements & CV/Resume or Writing Sample (if applicable)

December

January-May

- ... Wait for admissions offers (fellowships and graduate programs)
- ... Research cost of living in new cities

