

OUHSC Graduate College McNair Alumni Awards

The purpose of these awards is to encourage undergraduate McNair students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree to attend graduate school at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center.

1. McNAIR FELLOWSHIP

The fellowship will be awarded to students accepted into a doctoral (Ph.D.) Graduate College program who receive a graduate research assistantship. The OUHSC Graduate College will award up to 4 new fellowships each year. The number of fellowships awarded in any given year will depend on the number of qualified applicants. Continuation of the award is contingent upon the student making satisfactory progress towards the degree and the academic unit's on-going commitment to provide a Graduate Research Assistantship.

Each fellowship recipient would receive:

- A \$1,000 stipend supplement for 4 years.
- A full-tuition waiver (resident and non-resident) during the time of the fellowship.
- \$500 in either travel or research support.

Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for the fellowship an applicant must:

- have successfully completed an undergraduate McNair program.
- have at least a 3.50 grade point average in the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework.
- be accepted into a Ph.D. Graduate College program and be offered a graduate research assistantship.

Application Process

Applications for the McNair Fellowships are due in the Graduate College by April 1. Applications must include a copy of all application materials submitted for admission into the academic program (include both University and departmental admission materials), verification of completion of an undergraduate McNair program, verification of appointment to a graduate research assistantship, and a letter of support from the chair of the accepting academic unit.

Selection Process

An ad hoc committee will review the application materials immediately following the Spring deadline and recommend recipient(s) to the Graduate Dean. The fellowship will begin with the start of the student's graduate career.

2. McNAIR TUITION WAIVER

New McNair Graduate Students (M.S. or Ph.D.) will be eligible to apply for partial tuition waivers. These waivers will be awarded annually to five new M.S. students and three new Ph.D. students at OUHSC. The waiver will be for 6 hours of resident tuition for the fall and spring semesters and 3 hours in the summer. M.S. students who are granted these awards will receive the waivers for 2 yrs. and Ph.D. students will receive the waivers for 4 yrs. These waivers are available to the first five M.S. and three Ph.D. students who apply by April 1 each year. Continuation of the award is contingent upon the student making satisfactory progress and maintaining fulltime enrollment.

Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for the fellowship an applicant must:

- have successfully completed an undergraduate McNair program.
- have at least a 3.25 grade point average in the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework.
- be accepted into a M.S. or Ph.D. Graduate College program.

Application Process

M.S. and Ph.D. students who wish to apply for the McNair Tuition Waivers must do so through the Graduate College by April 1. The awards are given out on a first come first serve basis early application is encouraged. Applications must include a copy of all materials submitted for admission into the academic program (include both University and departmental admission materials) and verification of completion of an undergraduate McNair program.

Selection Process

All application materials will be reviewed immediately upon receipt of the application and qualified recipients will receive notification of their awards which will begin with the start of the student's graduate career. The awards are given out on a first come first serve basis so early application is encouraged.