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Academic Performance					
Intellectual Potential					
Written Expression					
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Emotional Maturity					
Motivation for Graduate Study					
Potential in Field					

TO COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION:

1. Submit an essay describing your career goals including your proposed area of graduate study, your reasons for selecting this area, and your reasons for wishing to undertake graduate study. Include information about any previous research experience, if any, that you have had. Provide your personal insights as to what you would contribute to the McNair Scholars program and what you expect to gain from participation in the program. Please include any information about yourself that you think may be helpful to the staff in considering your application, such as any academic honors or awards that you may have received or obstacles you have overcome.

Please type, double space, and sign and date your statement and include it with your application. (A suggested length is about 1000 words, but the focus will be on content not word count.)

2. Financial Information

If you have filed for financial aid, the information will be obtained from the financial aid office.

If you have not filed for financial aid, please give the following information from last year:

Whether you are, for financial aid purposes, an independent or a dependent student provide:

Your 2008 taxable income: _____

Number of dependents claimed: _____

If you are considered, for financial aid purposes, a dependent student, provide also:

The 2008 taxable income of parent(s) who support(s) you: _____

The number of dependents claimed by your supporting parent(s): _____

If additional information is needed to determine eligibility for McNair participation, you will be notified.

3. Transfer Information

If you are a transfer student, include a copy of your transcript from any other post-secondary institution (community college, college, university, etc.) attended. This may be an unofficial copy.

4. Statement of Understanding

I understand that participation in the McNair Scholars Program is both an academic year and a summer commitment. If selected as a Scholar, I will be expected to attend weekly meetings as well as occasional other activities. I will also be expected to maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, take the required graduate entry examination for my graduate area of study, and apply to graduate school. If I am selected for the mentored summer research component supported by a stipend from the McNair Scholars Program, I understand that I will be expected to complete eight weeks of research and prepare a report, short article, and abstract of that research. Program staff will assist me in preparing for these activities. If selected to participate, there is no cost to me for participation in the activities McNair Scholars Program or to receive services from the McNair Scholars staff.

I understand that the McNair staff uses the information included in this application to determine whether I meet the federally established eligibility requirements for participation in the McNair Scholars Program. I certify that the information provided is accurate.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please bring or mail the completed application to: McNair Scholars Program, 201 Holton Hall, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS 66506. The **PRIORITY DEADLINE** for the application is **September 14, 2009**. Interviews will begin the following week. Applications received after the 14th will be considered as openings remain available.