

# Recommendation Form for Boston College McNair Applicant

The Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program (McNair Program) is a graduate school preparation program for Boston College students who are both low-income and first-generation college participants, and/or from an underrepresented group in graduate education.

**To be completed by applicant. Print or type.**

(Last name)	(First name)	(MI)	Graduate discipline of interest
<p>(Optional) Waiver: Agreeing to this waiver <b><u>is not</u></b> required for admission to the McNair Program. All rights of access to this letter of recommendation conferred by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-380) as amended may be hereby voluntarily waived.</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I <b><u>waive</u></b> my right to view this recommendation.  <input type="checkbox"/> No, I <b><u>do not waive</u></b> my right to view this recommendation.         </p>			
(Date)	(Signature)		

**To be completed by recommender** and returned in a sealed enveloped with signature across the seal to the applicant or the McNair Program.

Recommender name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus address: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Evaluate:**

	High				Low	
	5	4	3	2	1	N/A
Creativity						
Initiative						
Ability to work independently						
Ability to work with others						
Ability to set goals						
Persistence toward goal						
Commitment to earning graduate degree						
Enthusiasm for academic discipline						
Oral communication skills						
Writing Skills						

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1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
2. Please describe your observations of the applicant's motivation for graduate study and/or commitment to the academic and profession goal of earning a Ph.D. or Ed.D.
3. What is your candid appraisal of the applicant's intellectual ability, aptitude for research potential for graduate study and/or quality of previous work?
4. Please discuss the knowledge and skills you believe this applicant needs to develop to ensure his/her successful admission into academic graduate program.

Comments:

Recommendation concerning selection for the McNair Program (check one):

- I recommend the applicant with confidence.
- I recommend the applicant with reservation. (Please explain below)
- I do not recommend the applicant. (Please explain below)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

We appreciate your prompt response.

Mailing address  
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