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RONALD E. MCNAIR
POST-BACCALAUREATE
ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

McNair Scholars

16th Annual May Gathering

Wednesday, May 25, 2011 ♦ 4:00–6:00 pm ♦ Showalter Rotunda

EWU's McNair Mission Statement:

The TRiO Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program at Eastern Washington University prepares low-income, first-generation and/or underrepresented minority undergraduates for success in doctoral programs by providing scholarly activities and community engagement that empower participants to become agents of positive change in a culturally diverse world.

Welcoming Remarks

Rodolfo Arévalo, University President

TRiO McNair Program Update

Christina Torres García, Director

Introduction of New Scholars

Helen Arega

McNair Scholar Remarks

Yvonne Sherwood

Recognition of McNair Mentors

Christina Torres García

Amunoo Mohamed

Gabriel Chávez García

McNair Scholar Remarks

Maira Sánchez

Congratulations to Our Graduating McNair Scholars

Cynthia Dukich, Counselor/Coordinator

McNair Scholars Earning EWU Master's Degrees

Thank You and Closing Remarks

Light Refreshments

TRiO McNair Scholar Staff

Christina Torres García, Director

Cynthia Dukich, Counselor/Coordinator

Angela Johnson, Counselor

Edwin Fonseca, Graduate Assistant



Thank You McNair Faculty Research Mentors

Eastern's TRiO McNair Program is indebted to faculty research mentors who support the McNair mission by facilitating undergraduate research internship experiences. In addition, faculty research mentors also dedicate time, energy and expertise in assisting scholars with the graduate application process and in presenting McNair research at local, regional, and national conferences.

NOTE: We have so many wonderful mentors and McNair program supporters, we were only able to picture a few, but we appreciate and depend on you all.

College of Social & Behavioral Sciences and Social Work: Vickie Rutledge Shields, Dean

Jonathan Anderson, psychology: **Cassandra Aguilar**
 Sean Taudin Chabot, sociology: **Gabriel Chávez García**
 Patty Chantrill, communication studies: **Amunoo Mohamed**
 Kelly Coogan-Gehr, women's and gender studies: **Helen Arega, Maira Sánchez & Yvonne Sherwood**
 Amani El-Alayli, psychology: **Maira Sánchez and Elizabeth Schriener**
 Christina Torres García, Chicano Education Program: **María Morales Sánchez**
 Nick Jackson, CED psychology and associate dean of CSBSSW: **Filmon Habteselassie**
 Pui-Yan Lam, sociology: **Yvonne Sherwood**
 Theresa Martin, psychology: **Yuliya Kushnerchuk**
 Susan Ruby, school psychology: **Marissa Bronowski and Juliana Nicole Dewitt**
 Rob Sauders, anthropology and history: **Naima Neghmouche-Salah**
 Majid Sharifi, government: **Enver Guseynov**

College of Science, Health and Engineering: Judd Case, Dean

Karen Carlberg, biology: **Cheryl Dykstra-Aiello**
 Ronald Gentle, mathematics: **Andrew Ruud**
 Robin O'Quinn, biology: **Nathan Lewis**
 Wes Steiner, chemistry and biochemistry: **Ioannis Pikalov**

College of Business and Public Administration: Niel Zimmerman, Dean

Grant Forsyth, economics: **Sylvia Olivo**



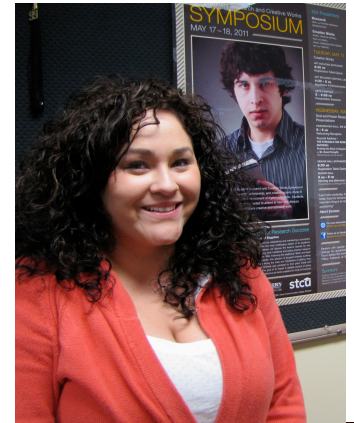
Welcome New McNair Scholars

Anthony Austin-Walker
Kyra Gaines
Theresa Harkness
Angelica Hill
Andrew Pereira
Vera Pikalova
Liliya Rudneva
Ghyniece Temple
Benita Walker



Congratulations Graduating Scholars

Cassandra Aguilar
Helen Arega
Marissa Bronowski
Brandon Denton
Gabriel Chávez García
Enver Guseynov
Filmon Habteselassie
Yuliya Kushnerchuk
Amunoo Mohamed
Sylvia Oliva
Amara Rieken
Andrew Ruud
Maira Sánchez
Yvonne Sherwood
Olga Shiva



EWU Master's Degrees

Edwin Fonseca
Matthew Scheffer
Tracey Waring

Congratulations to EWU TRiO McNair's Most Recent Doctorates

Rita (Miranda) Davis, DPT

University of Montana: doctorate in physical therapy
EWU McNair mentor Charles Herr, biology

Naelly Galvan, PhD

University of Illinois: doctorate in counseling psychology
EWU McNair mentor Russell Kolts, psychology

Thank you for your generous contributions to our Eastern McNair Foundation account.





TRiO McNair Highlights of 2010-2011

McNair Research Presentations

NOTE: List does not include all conferences attended

University of Delaware McNair Conference & Graduate School Fair, Newark, DE

Helen Arega
Amunoo Mohamed

19th Annual National McNair Research Conference & Graduate School Fair, Delavan, WI

Gabriel Chávez García
Cheryl Dykstra-Aiello
Nathan Lewis
Naima Neghmouche-Salah
Maira Sánchez
Yvonne Sherwood

National Conference of Undergraduate Research, Ithaca, NY

Cassandra Aguilar
Naima Neghmouche-Salah
Ioannis Pikalov
Elizabeth Schrinier

Western Psychological Association Conference, Los Angeles, CA

Cassandra Aguilar
Elizabeth Schrinier

14th Annual Graduate and Undergraduate EWU Student Research & Creative Works Symposium, Cheney, WA

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Scholars Beginning Graduate Programs Fall 2011

Helen Arega

University of Delaware, *urban affairs and public policy*

Marissa Bronowski

University of Washington, *social work*

Amunoo Mohamed

University of Delaware, *master of arts degree program in communications*

Sylvia Oliva

Washington State University, *applied economics*

Maira Sanchez

New Mexico State University, *counseling psychology*

Yvonne Sherwood:

University of California, Santa Cruz, *sociology*

Olga Shiva:

Washington State University, *school of molecular biosciences*

Frances B. Huston 2011 McNair Recipients

The medallion award pays tribute to Frances B. Huston, a longtime faculty member at EWU whose lifelong commitment to education, and generosity to students was quiet but ongoing. The medallion award program recognizes twenty graduates who are nominated by their department and finalized by their college based on academic excellence and community service reflecting Huston's compassion and respect for what education can do for an individual and the community.

Yvonne Sherwood, sociology

Yuliya Kushnerchuk, psychology



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