McNair Summer Research Institute:
Research Training, Academic Writing, Graduate School Preparation,
Professional Development, Faculty Mentorships, Stipends/Scholarships

May 28, 2013 – August 4, 2013

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Friday, May 24, 2013

Awards Disbursed: McNair Research Stipend Payment

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

9am - 10am Welcome & Institute Overview  
Where: VKC 200

10am - 11am Working with Faculty & Graduate Students  
Where: VKC 200

11am - 12pm Managing Your Time & Maximizing Experiences  
Where: VKC 200

12pm - 1pm lunch

1pm - 2:15pm Graduate School Preparation Session: Types of Degrees  
Where: VKC 200

2:30pm - 3:45pm Research Lab Meetings  
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

4:30pm - 7pm BBQ at Troy Hall!  
Where: Troy Hall!

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

9am - 12:30pm GRE Preparation Course Diagnostic Exam  
Where: Leavey Library--Learning Room B

12:30pm - 2pm Break & Lunch

2pm - 3:30pm Writing Course: Types of Papers and Their Structures  
Where: VKC 200
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3:45pm - 5pm  Research Lab: Structuring Data Collection  
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Tuesday, June 4, 2013

9am - 10:15am  Graduate School Preparation: Funding For Graduate School 
Where: MHP B7B

10:30am - 12:30pm  
Writing Research Course: Types of Literature Reviews--Lab Report, Problem-Solution, and Kritiks 
Where: MHP B7B

12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 5pm  Writing Lab: Exploring Your Paper Type and Outline 
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Wednesday, June 5, 2013

9am - 12:30pm  GRE Preparation Course 
Where: MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 5pm  Research Methods Session: Discipline-Specific Data Collection Introduction 
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Friday, June 7, 2013

11:30pm  ASSIGNMENT: Revised Literature Review Due

Monday, June 10, 2013

11pm  ASSIGNMENT: Literature Review and Research Question Due
Tuesday, June 11, 2013

9am - 10:15am  Graduate School Preparation Session: Postgraduate Options (Masters & Doctorates) & Application Process  
Where: MHP B7B

10:30am - 12:30pm  Graduate School Preparation Session: Personal Statements  
Where: MHP B7B

12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 5pm  Graduate School Preparation Lab: Personal Statement  
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Wednesday, June 12, 2013

9am - 12:30pm  GRE Preparation Course  
Where: MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 3pm  Graduate School Preparation: Statement of Purpose  
Where: GFS 330

3pm - 5pm  Graduate School Preparation Lab: Statement of Purpose  
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Tuesday, June 18, 2013

9am - 10:30am  Graduate School Preparation: Constructing Your School Application List  
Where: MHB B7B

10:45am - 12:30pm  Graduate School Preparation: CVs/Resumes  
Where: MHP B7B
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12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 3:30pm  Graduate School Preparation Lab: CVs/Resumes
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

3:30pm - 5pm  Research Lab: Progress Report and Troubleshooting
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Wednesday, June 19, 2013

9am - 12:30pm  GRE Preparation Course
Where: MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm  Break & Lunch

2pm - 3:30pm  Communication Development: Introduction to Scholarly Argumentation & Debate
Where: GFS 330

3:45pm - 5:30pm  Special Session: Undergraduate Research Funding, Scholarships/Fellowships, Etc.
Where: GFS 330

Friday, June 21, 2013

1:15pm - 1:45pm  Presentation to Bridge Students regarding the McNair Scholars Program
Where: TBD

11:30pm  ASSIGNMENT: Grad School App. Materials packet Due: CV Statement of Purpose, Personal Statement
Tuesday, June 25, 2013

9am - 12:30pm Research Methods Session: T-Tests and ANOVAs (Quantitative) (Bring Your Data)
Where: MHP B7B

12:30pm - 2pm Break & Lunch

2pm - 5pm Research Methods Section: Document and Archival Coding and Analysis
Where: GFS 201

2pm - 5pm Research Methods Session: Analysis of Qualitative/Interview/Focus-Group, Transcription, Coding, Etc.
Where: VKC 103

Wednesday, June 26, 2013

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Wednesday, June 26, 2013 - Thu June 27, 2013

9am - 12:30pm GRE Preparation Course
Where: MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm Break & Lunch

2pm - 5pm Research Methods Session: Textual/Archival Analysis
Where: GFS 201

Tuesday, July 2, 2013

9am - 10:15am Higher Education Financial Literacy: Loans, interest rates, and ROI
Where: MHP B7B
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10:30am - 12:30pm  
Writing Research Course Session: Writing about Findings and Results  
*Where:* MHP B7B

12:30pm - 2pm  
Break & Lunch

2pm - 3:30pm  
Writing Lab: Findings and Results--Your Disciplinary Protocol  
*Where:* GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

3:45pm - 5:15pm  
Research Lab: Data Analysis and Post-hoc tests  
*Where:* GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

**Wednesday, July 3, 2013**

9am - 12:30pm  
GRE Preparation Course  
*Where:* MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm  
Break & Lunch

2pm - 3:30pm  
Public Speaking and Academic Presentations  
*Where:* GFS 330

3:45pm - 5:15pm  
Research Lab Groups: Drafting the Findings Sections  
*Where:* GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

**Tuesday, July 9, 2013**

9am - 10:15am  
Developing Research Posters  
*Where:* MHP B7B

10:30am - 12:30pm  
Writing Abstracts and Introductions  
*Where:* MHP B7B

12:30pm - 2pm  
Break & Lunch
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2 pm - 5 pm Writing Lab: Abstract/Introduction Development
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

9 am - 12:30 pm GRE Preparation Course
Where: MRF 229

12:30 pm - 2 pm Lunch

2 pm - 5 pm Research Lab: Poster-ize your project
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

Friday, July 12, 2013

11 am - 2 pm Networking/Social Event...TBD

11:30 pm - 12 am Data Analysis Section due

Tuesday, July 16, 2013

10 am - 11 am
Panel Discussion: Discipline Specific Considerations and Etiquette for Presentations
Where: MHP B7B

11 am - 12:30 pm Developing and Delivering Scholarly Powerpoint Presentations

12:30 pm - 2 pm Lunch

2 pm - 3:30 pm
Writing Lab Groups: Live Poster Presentations + Feedback + Poster Revision
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103

3:30 pm - 5 pm Writing Lab: Design Your Multimedia Presentation
Where: GFS 201, THH 105, 109, 111, SOS B50, VKC 103
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11:30 pm - 12am 12am Research Poster Due

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

12am - 12:30am 12am Research Poster Due

9am - 12:30pm GRE Preparation Course
Where: MRF 229

12:30pm - 2pm Lunch

2pm - 4pm
Panel Discussion: Professional Development: Presentations and Professional Conduct Seminar--Research/Publication Ethics and Practices
Where: VKC 200

Friday, July 19, 2013

11:30pm - 12am 12am Powerpoint Rough Draft Due

Saturday, July 20, 2013

12am - 12:30am 12am Powerpoint Rough Draft Due

Monday, July 22, 2013

10pm - 11pm ASSIGNMENT: Final Project Rough Draft Due

Tuesday, July 23, 2013

9am - 10:30am Research Lab: Powerpoint Practice Sessions

10:30am - 12pm Research Lab: Practice Session--Poster Presentations
Where: VKC 103, WPH 603, THH 105, 107, 111, VKC 104

3pm - 5pm Research Poster Symposium with BRIDGE Program
Where: 3rd Floor GFS
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Wednesday, July 24, 2013

9am - 12pm Research Lab: Symposium Presentation Run-throughs
Where: VKC 103, WPH 603, THH 105, 107, 111, VKC 104

12pm - 1:30pm Lunch/Break

1:30pm - 5pm Writing/Research Lab--Personal Meetings and General Help
Where: By appointment

Friday, July 26, 2013

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Friday, July 26, 2013 - Sat July 27, 2013

10pm - 11pm ASSIGNMENT: Everything Due--FINAL

Monday, July 29, 2013

8:30am - 5pm McNair Scholars 2013 Summer Research Symposium
Where: USC Davidson Center