## McNair Graduating Scholars 2022-23 Schedule

All meetings are in Seaton Hall Room 206, unless otherwise specified.

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| **Thursday, August 25**  
8:00 – 9:15 AM  
Seaton 206 | **MSRE Debriefing Meeting for**  
*Post-MSRE 2022 Scholars**  
Graduate Student Mentoring Program | Feedback on MSRE 2022, selecting a graduate student mentor, and discussion on what it means to be a Senior/Graduating Scholar. | August - No individual meeting required |
| **Monday, September 12**  
5:00 – 6:00 PM  
Seaton 206 | Organizing Your Graduate Applications and Peer Review of your Statement of Purpose | Group will discuss organizing components of grad application recommender packets. Bring your SOP to share for peer review. | September - Update Individual Development Plan (IDP), & Graduate School Matrix, funding & fellowships |
| **Monday, October 10**  
5:00 – 6:00 PM  
Seaton 206 | Graduate Admissions Committee  
Faculty Panel  
Dr. David Hansen, Psychology  
Dr. Julia McQuillan, Sociology  
Dr. Xu Li, Civil & Environmental Engineering | On what basis do graduate schools admit students? How important are the various criteria (GRE scores, GPA, letters of recommendation, etc.) in graduate admissions decisions? A faculty panel will discuss the criteria graduate admissions committees use in making admissions decisions. | October/November Graduate application questions, SOP and CV revisions |
| **January** | Preparing for Campus Visits/Virtual Interviews | It’s important to visit prospective graduate programs, even if it takes place remotely. This allows you to meet faculty and graduate students, as well as experience the department culture before you make a commitment. This session will help you prepare for a successful visit. | January/February Honors thesis, campus visits, and accepting an offer |
| **February** | Managing Graduate School Panel of graduate students | This session will focus on setting up your office, building relationships, working with your mentor, and balancing your responsibilities. A panel of graduate students at various stages of their program will discuss their graduate school experience. |  |
| **March** | Graduate School: What to Expect | This session will uncover the mystery of common terms used in graduate school, (i.e., qualifying exams, comps) and the differences between masters and doctoral programs. | March/April Exit Interviews |
| **March 28-29**  
Schedule TBD  
Nebraska Union | Undergraduate Research Days | Prepare a poster presentation for the Undergraduate Research Days. If you received UCARE funding, you should plan to participate in this event. |  |
| **Friday, April 21**  
5:30 – 7:00 PM  
Lied Commons | McNair Recognition Reception | An annual celebration and recognition of our McNair Scholars’ accomplishments. | May – No individual meeting required |

**Individual Monthly Meeting:** You’re required to meet twice per semester with a McNair staff member. Plan ahead: Schedule your appointments early in the month instead of waiting until the last minute. Use these meetings to discuss your plans for graduate studies, writing your personal statement, or other topics related to research, graduate school and career goals. In addition to required monthly meetings, you are welcome to schedule appointments at any time to meet with McNair Staff on any topic you wish to discuss.