(5) Is a resident of one of the Freely Associated States.
(b) Is currently enrolled in a degree program at an institution of higher education that participates in the student financial assistance programs authorized under Title IV of the HEA.
(c) Is—
(1) A low-income individual who is a first-generation college student;
(2) A member of a group that is underrepresented in graduate education; or
(3) A member of a group that is not listed in §647.7 if the group is underrepresented in certain academic disciplines as documented by standard statistical references or other national survey data submitted to and accepted by the Secretary on a case-by-case basis.
(d) Has not enrolled in doctoral level study at an institution of higher education.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a–15)

§ 647.4 What activities and services may a project provide?

A McNair project may provide the following services and activities:
(a) Opportunities for research or other scholarly activities at the grantee institution or at graduate centers that are designed to provide participants with effective preparation for doctoral study.
(b) Summer internships.
(c) Seminars and other educational activities designed to prepare participants for doctoral study.
(d) Tutoring.
(e) Academic counseling.
(f) Assistance to participants in securing admission to and financial assistance for enrollment in graduate programs.
(g) Mentoring programs involving faculty members or students at institutions of higher education, or any combination of faculty members and students.
(h) Exposure to cultural events and academic programs not usually available to project participants.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a–15)

§ 647.5 How long is a project period?

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a project period under the McNair program is four years.
(b) The Secretary approves a project period of five years for applications that score in the highest ten percent of all applications approved for new grants under the criteria in §647.21.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a–11)

§ 647.6 What regulations apply?

The following regulations apply to the McNair program:
(a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:
(1) 34 CFR part 74 (Administration of Grants to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Nonprofit Organizations).
(2) 34 CFR part 75 (Direct Grant Programs).
(3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).
(4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities).
(5) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).
(6) 34 CFR part 85 ((Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).
(7) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).

(b) The regulations in this part 647.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a–11 and 1070a–15)

§ 647.7 What definitions apply?

(a) Definitions in EDGAR. The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

Applicant
Application
Budget
Budget Period
EDGAR
Equipment
Facilities
Fiscal Year
Grant
Grantee
Project
Project Period
Public
Secretary