



MCNAIR MAY GATHERING



ABOUT TRIO MCNAIR

The first McNair programs were funded by Congress in 1989 by grants through the Department of Education, and pay tribute to Ronald E. McNair, PhD, crew member on the space shuttle Challenger.

The McNair Program at Eastern Washington University began in the 1995-96 academic year. As one of eight federally-funded TRIO programs, the goal of the McNair Program is to increase the attainment of PhD degrees by students from underrepresented segments of society.





OUR MISSION

The TRiO Ronald 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 empowers participants to become agents of positive change in a culturally diverse world.









*"Before you can make a dream come true,
you must first have one."*

-Ronald E. McNair





Congratulations, Jose Razo!

Accepted into Washington State
University's Phd program in Educational Psychology
and University of Arizona's Phd program in
Educational Psychology.



CONGRATULATIONS

ISAURA J. GALLEGOS-WEBB

Isaura J. Gallegos-Webb has recently been accepted into PhD programs at the University Of Georgia in Integrated Life Sciences and at Harvard University's Harvard Graduate School of Ed-Human Development Teaching and Learning!



EWU McNair Scholar stats

Retention Rate

2014-2015	100%
2013-2014	100%

Graduation Rate

2014-2015	100%
2013-2014	100%







**Congratulations,
Yuri Reyes!**

Accepted to the National College of Natural
Medicine's Master of Science in Global Health
program.





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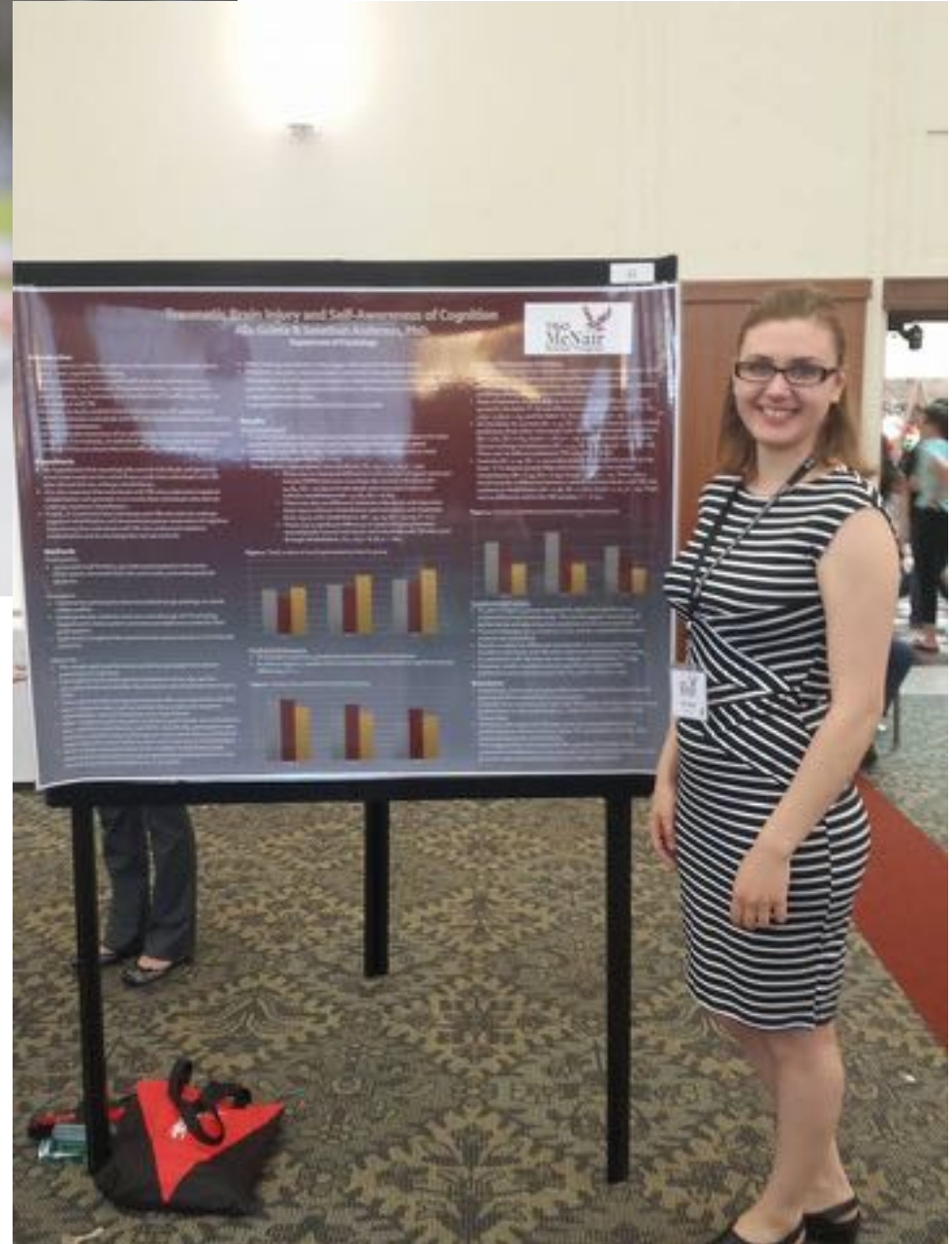
EWU MCNAIR SCHOLARS ARE
CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN
GRADUATE SCHOOL



**Congratulations,
Samantha De Abreu!**

Accepted into a the School of Environmental and
Forest Science PhD program at the University of
Washington.







Dr. Jonathan Anderson



Dr. Norma Cardenas



Dr. Sean Chabot



Dr. Charalambos Giannopoulos



Dr. Martin Meriz Garcia



Dr. Ron Gentle



Dr. Kayleen Islam-Zwart



Dr. Joseph Lenti



Dr. Frank Lynch



Dr. Kristzian Magori



Dr. Jamie Manson



Dr. Miguel Novella



Dr. Julia Smith



Dr. Deanna Trella

Summer
2015
Research
Mentors



Congratulations, **Lisa Coyle!**

Accepted into Colorado State University's PhD program in Applied Social and Health Psychology and Eastern Washington University's Master in Experimental Psychology Master program.





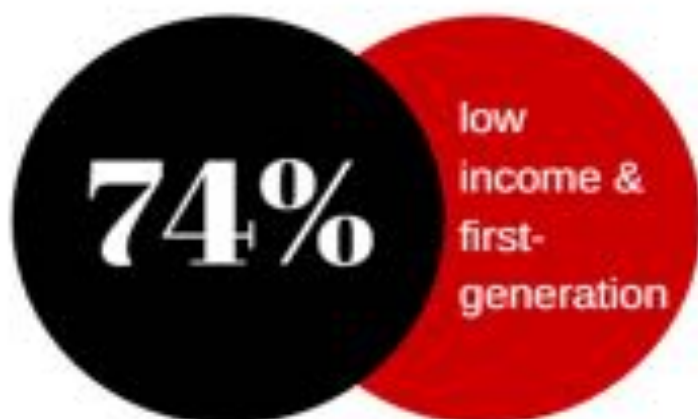
NCUR
UNC Asheville
30th Annual Conference

April 7-9 2016



Since 1996

Eastern's TRIO McNair Scholar Program
has served 274 students



low income participants



participants who are underrepresented in graduate school programs



first-generation participants



DR. EUDELIO MARTINEZ



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

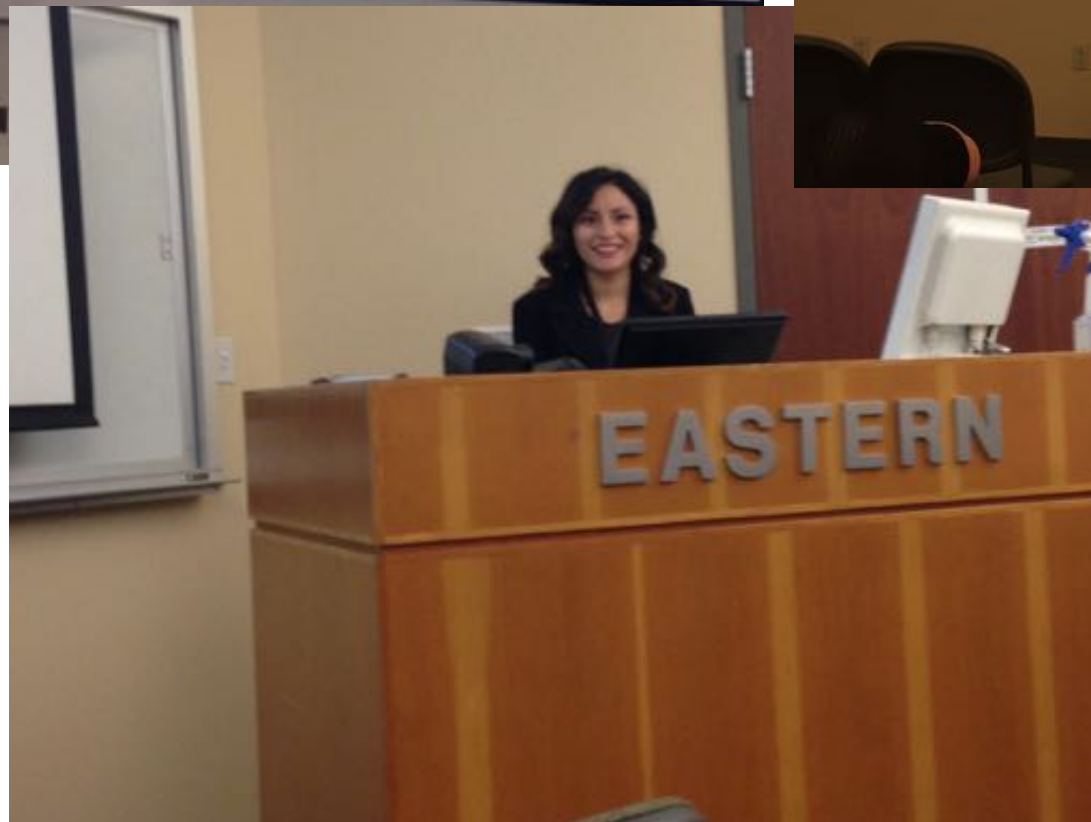
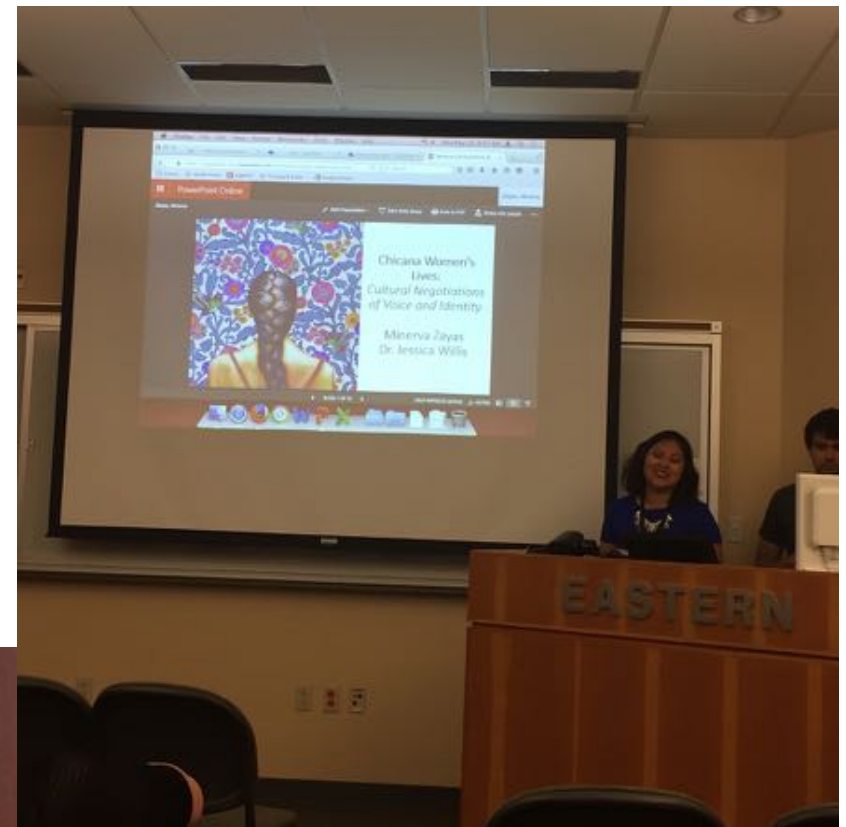
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-
IRVINE

ANTHROPOLOGY









Summer
2015
Research
Scholars



Alyssa Barton



Jasmine Burns



Lisa Coyle



Samantha De Abreu



Mariana Garcia



Alla Goleta



Yevgeniy Golubenko



Erik Jimenez



Ana Kravtsova



Ariel McMillan



Virginia Morales



Diana Ocampo



Jessica Ochoa



Raquel Ramos



Jose Razo



Moses Ssemakula





Congratulations, Diana Ocampo!

Accepted into Washington State University's
Master In Foreign Languages & Cultures program.



DR. IA XIONG



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

UNIVERSITY OF
WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE

COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY







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EWU MCNAIR SCHOLARS HAVE
EARNED MASTER'S DEGREES





Congratulations, **Raquel Ramos!**

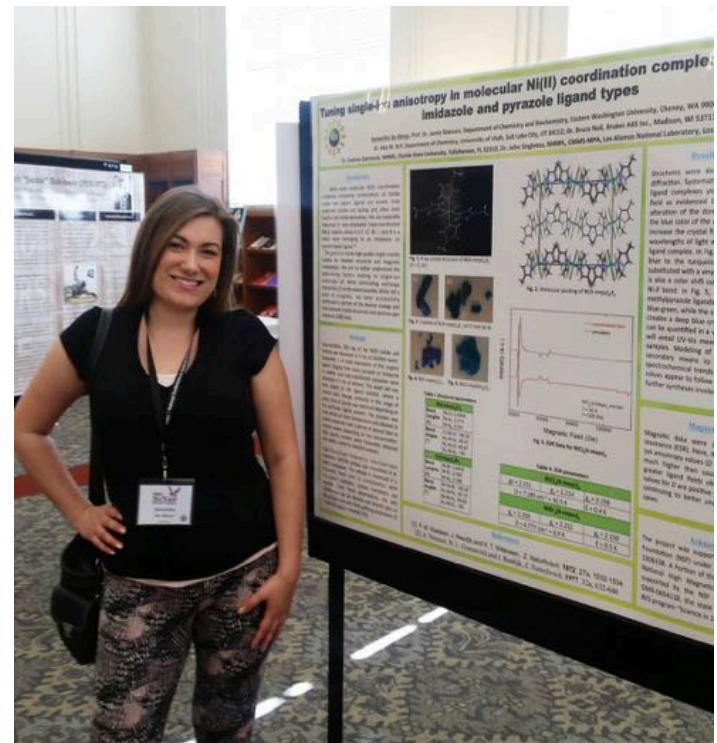
Accepted into Eastern Washington University's
Masters of Arts in English program with
Rhetoric and Technical Communication
Emphasis.



TRIO McNair Scholar Program



24th Annual
National
Ronald E.
McNair
Research
Conference and
Graduate Fair



Saturday, March 11
1:00 – 1:25 pm
Columbia AB

1:25 – 1:45 pm
Columbia AB

1:45 – 3:30 pm
Columbia AB

3:30 – 5:00 pm

Room A
Emerging Leaders

Room B
Chapter Leaders

Room A
Advanced Professionals

Room B
Advanced Professionals



Ivan Salazar
 McNair Scholar Graduate

I revisited the idea of submitting my story for inclusion to the Washington State Times Free Press, but only because I am the quintessential example of what NOT to do. I dropped out of college in my junior year, got a job, got married and started a family and had no intentions to go back to college for 10 years. When I did go back, I completed a bachelor's degree, a master's and a Ph.D. while working full time and raising four kids with my wife. Take my word for it, this is NOT the way to do it. That, perhaps there is a lesson to be learned from my experiences...

I am the first in my family to graduate from college. But I was not the first in my family to GO to college; three of my cousins started but did not finish their degrees. I am the first in my family to go to graduate school and the first to earn a graduate degree. In some ways you can say that I am a trailblazer, but that would be a misnomer because the road to completing an undergraduate and two graduate degrees was not a road that I walked alone. The support and tangible resources from the Ronald McNair program provided me a pair of sturdy boots to begin the long walk ahead. Without those "boots" I would not have achieved my dream of earning a Ph.D.

I can say this with confidence: earning my bachelor's degree took two tries and 16 years to complete. By the spring semester of my second year in college it was clear that I was struggling, so much that when I tried to register for the 200 credits for his class, a psychology professor at Florida International University told me not to bother because I was one of those people that were "not meant to go to college." I followed his advice and worked full time for 10 years before going back to school in Washington - I never quite believed him to be honest.

When I went back to college finally I had the good fortune of meeting with Kerensa Allison, a McNair scholar herself. I will never forget it, I sat in her office and she asked me, "What do you wanna do?" When I answered, "Get a Ph.D." she did not even blink, she simply said, "Okay, let's figure out how to get you there." To me, that was the most important gift I received along this road less traveled, the full





18th ANNUAL Texas National McNair Scholars RESEARCH CONFERENCE



Diana Ocampo

Jessica Ochoa

Jose Razo







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EWU MCNAIR SCHOLARS HAVE
EARNED A PHD



EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY



GRADUATING COHORT

