For eligible students, the Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program provides academic and personal support to prepare for doctoral studies in all fields, from the humanities to the sciences.

Who is eligible for the McNair Scholars Program?
All St. Edward's University students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents are eligible if they count as one or both of the following:

- Low-income and first-generation college student
- A member of a group underrepresented in graduate study (e.g., Hispanic, African-American, American Indian, Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian, Native Pacific Islander)

Eligible students must also have a GPA of 2.7 or better, have completed at least 60 hours of college credit by the end of the spring semester and have at least one year remaining before graduation. Students with at least 45 hours of college credit but fewer than 60 hours may still apply for the program, but they may only participate in some preparatory activities until they have earned 60 credit hours.