

# McNeill Academic Program

## Program Overview

The McNeill Academic Program is an academic excellence community offered through the Student Academic Services Center (SASC). McNeill provides students a more personalized educational experience within the context of our large university. It offers students from all majors the academic and personal support to achieve a good grade point average.

<b>Recruiting Date</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> week of June to May 1 of the following year Pre-collegiate students are automatically qualified for McNeill when regular Admissions process is completed
<b>Decision Date</b>	May 1
<b>Admission Criteria</b>	High School Transcripts Test Scores Letters of recommendation Essays
<b>Feeder Programs</b>	CU System-wide Pre-Collegiate Program CU Upward Bound Programs for Native American Clients AAI (Academic Access Institute) GOS Scholars Referrals
<b>Funding Sources/Amount</b>	CU-LEAD grants of \$1,000/student for approx. 60 students Some scholarships to participate in residence hall academic programs Four \$4,000 scholarships annually for McNeill students who study abroad Direct program services are covered by regular tuition (no extra fees)
<b>Individual Award Amount</b>	\$500/Semester for those w/ CU-LEAD awards
<b>Program Support Activities</b>	Small core classes in writing & math In-depth academic advising and assessment Free Tutoring Small-group expert-led study sessions Academic skill workshops Social activities
<b>Additional Incentives</b>	Access to Residential Academic Programs in Farrand Hall, Williams Village, and Baker Hall

Multicultural Career Fair, other CU-LEAD activities

**Leadership Activities**

Student Advisory Board  
Employment opportunities as peer counselor or instructor's assistant  
Opportunity to participate in Chancellor's Leadership Program

**Year by Year Components**

- Year 1 Meet core requirements in writing and math in small classes taught by McNeill instructors. Plan academic schedule and chart future with personal Academic Coordinator from the McNeill professional staff. Benefit from customized assessment and coaching from college learning experts. Social activities, academic contests.
- Year 2 Participate in expert-led study groups for key classes such as economics and chemistry. Access to free tutoring for any university class. Continued work with Academic Coordinator. Participate in programming tailored to potential majors—e.g., pre-health, pre-business, undecided. Social activities, academic contests. Many students take calculus class taught by McNeill instructors.
- Year 3-4 Continued access to Academic Coordinator to plan for graduation. Access to Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program to prepare for graduate school. Take upper division core writing class with McNeill instructors. Continued access to free tutoring, career planning and assessment services. Potential scholarships to study abroad.

**Summer Bridge Program**

None

**Other Linked Programs**

Student Academic Services Center (SASC)  
Ronald E. McNair Program to recruit graduate students  
Academic Excellence Program (comprehensive services for low-income, first-generation college students)

**Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> Year Living**

\$650/year for the Farrand Hall Residential Program, Chancellor's Leadership Program, Ethnic Living and Learning Community, or Baker Hall Academic Program. Some scholarships available. None of these programs is mandatory.