OUTLINE FOR PROPOSED RESEARCH

Name: ___________________________________________ Date: ____________________________

Academic Major: ___________________________ Research mentor: ____________________________

Research Area: ___________________________ Specific Research Topic: ______________________

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Is this an applied research project? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Are you using human subjects? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Are you using Nonhuman Vertebrates, Controlled Substances, Human or Animal tissue, Pathogenic Agents or Recombinant DNA? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Using this outline, write a brief narrative of your research plans that includes the following elements:

1) What is your preliminary hypothesis or research question?
2) What methodology will you be using or how are you going to research/collect data about your subjects?
3) Who are your research subjects?
4) What are the facilities you plan to use?
5) Why is there a need for this research?
6) What impact will this research have or what contribution will this research have in the scholarship of your discipline.
7) Include a timeline for your research.
8) Include a budget (i.e. if you know of material, supplies, equipment fee, etc. that will need to be purchased).

This is a preliminary outline and you may find as you do further reading, your research questions and methods evolve. It is important, however, at this stage to articulate your present plan. Attach your research outline to this form.

Research site: ______________________________________________________________________

Is this original research? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Are you assisting faculty with his/her ongoing research? ( )Yes ( ) No

Scholar’s signature ________________________________

Faculty Mentor’s signature ________________________________

Appendix B 1
McNair Scholars Program
Research Project
Deadlines and Benchmarks

At each stage of the research you must have your mentor’s approval indicated by his/her initials and date. Anticipate that mentors will have substantial feedback for you prior to signing off – this means you need to work in advance of the deadlines. You will not receive your allowance if you do not have your mentor’s approval for every document.

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