

Dear Colleagues,

The University of Texas at San Antonio McNair Scholars Program is proud to announce that it will be hosting its **5th Annual Graduate School Boot Camp**. We hope to see you this summer in San Antonio, Texas **May 15 & 16, 2018** for an intensive two day workshop featuring international speaker and author, Dr. Donald Asher.

During the boot camp, students will focus on strategies to help gain admission to highly competitive graduate programs. Dr. Asher, one of the nation's foremost authorities on the graduate admissions process will focus on the following:

- Benefits of graduate education
- Challenges to pursuing a graduate degree
- How to properly use on-line resources to search graduate programs
- How to identify and contact faculty in programs of interest
- How to stand out in the application process
- How to craft the personal statement
- The GRE and more...

While you're in the area, be sure to visit some nearby universities and learn more about their wonderful graduate programs. In addition to the Graduate School at UTSA, San Antonio is home to other graduate schools such as St. Mary's University, Our Lady of the Lake University, and others. Also, UT-Austin and Texas State University are located a relatively short drive north of San Antonio and are easy to include in your trip itinerary.

Donald Asher's riveting presentation is full of secrets for successful graduate school admission. This year's registration fee will include breakfast, lunch and snacks for both days, and limited campus parking. Please contact Ms. Sonia Valencia, McNair Program Manager at (210) 458-4274 or Sonia.Valencia@utsa.edu or McNair@utsa.edu for additional questions regarding this year's event.

Please, feel free to forward this invitation to those not included on this mailing list. We look forward to seeing you in San Antonio!

Thank you,



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