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## Dear McNair Scholars:

The UCLA Division of Undergraduate Education extends a warm welcome to all of you attending and supporting the 2024 UCLA National McNair Conference. We are honored to host you at UCLA!

From its inception 21 years ago the McNair National Scholars Program has been an incubator of innovation, scholarship and mentorship that supports outstanding students from an array of disciplines. McNair Conferences have historically allowed scholars to hold space together to engage in ideas, share research findings and build community. Throughout the conference, I encourage you to ask questions, seek answers, and enjoy lively discourse with the over 400 McNair community members from around the country who are in attendance.

I also extend my gratitude to the students, mentors and alumni who are at the heart of the McNair Program. I commend your commitment to research as a means to achieve social justice and look forward to learning more about the new knowledge you have created.

Thank you for joining us at UCLA. I wish you a great conference!

Sincerely,

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