

MARC-WSU Program Application Form

Application form for students to utilize in joining the MARC – WSU program.

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Reminder: The MARC-WSU program will begin the week prior to classes starting in the fall semester and continue for two academic years. The program includes the summer between your third and final semester. *You must be able to participate in the entire program.* Among other [eligibility requirements](#), applicants to the MARC-WSU program must be planning to earn a doctoral degree focused on biomedical research in the sciences or engineering.

Form preview: View a full [preview of the application form \(PDF\)](#).

Additional note: As part of this application process, you will be asked to upload your college transcripts. These can be unofficial transcripts. You will also be asked to list two individuals who can provide letters of recommendation. Your recommenders will receive an email from the MARC program requesting that the letter be sent to the MARC program. Your recommenders should be individuals who can speak to your future potential in graduate school and as a biomedical researcher.

Required fields are marked by a red asterisk symbol (*) and faint red highlighting. Please contact [our web coordinator](#) if you encounter any problems with this application form so we can provide you with further assistance.

Personal

Do you have a WSU ID#? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Name *

First

Middle

Last

Suffix

Correspondence address *

Street Address

Second Address Line

Town/City/Municipality

State

ZIP / Postal Code

Country

Email *

Enter Email

Confirm Email

Phone *

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Demographics

The goal of the MARC program is to increase the number of students who are traditionally underrepresented in STEM careers that emphasize biomedical research. Students participating in the program must meet at least one of three [eligibility requirements](#) that involve either belonging to certain racial and ethnic groups, having a disability, or coming from a disadvantaged background.

Gender identification *

Which of the following best describes how you identify your gender?

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Transgender Female
- ☐ Transgender Male
- ☐ Other

Ethnicity *

- ☐ Hispanic/Latinx
- ☐ Non-Hispanic/Non-Latinx

Race *

Please select all that apply.

- ☐ American Indian
- ☐ Alaska Native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black/African American
- ☐ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- ☐ White
- ☐ Other

Disabilities

Please check any disabilities below that apply to you and which substantially limit one or more major life activities, as described in the [Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended](#)?

- ☐ Visual disability
- ☐ Hearing disability
- ☐ Walking disability
- ☐ Lifting disability

☐ Other

Disadvantaged background

For the purpose of determining eligibility, we consider a person to be from a disadvantaged background if their situation meets two or more of the following criteria. Please check those that apply to you.

- Grew up in one of the following areas: a) a U.S. rural area, as designated by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) [Rural Health Grants Eligibility Analyzer](#), or b) a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services-designated [Low-Income and Health Professional Shortage Area](#) (qualifying zipcodes are included in the file).
- ☐ Have/had no parents or legal guardians who completed a bachelor's degree (i.e., you are a first-generation college student).
 - ☐ Were or currently are eligible for Federal Pell grants.
 - ☐ Were or currently are homeless, as defined by the [McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act](#).
 - ☐ Were or currently are in the foster care system.
 - ☐ Received support from the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) as a parent or child.
 - ☐ Were eligible for the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program for two or more years.

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Activities and Experiences

Please **upload a CV** that covers the activities and experiences you have gained which are relevant to the MARC program. When preparing your CV, please follow these guidelines:

- Please list any jobs that you have held. Limit your list to no more than 4 of your most relevant jobs.
- Please list any research experience you may have had. You may include high school research experiences but limit your list to no more than 6 research experiences. Include the time frame during which your experience took place and your specific role in the project.
- Please list any Honors and Awards, limiting your list to your 6 most relevant honors or awards.
- Please list any presentations or publications.
- Please list no more than 6 recent activities or leadership experiences you have had.

Upload your CV *

(Allowed file types: PDF)

No file chosen

Accepted file types: pdf, Max. file size: 195 MB.

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Goals and Interests

Please provide a personal statement. *

Your personal statement should be up to 1700 words in length. Please include information about the following:

- Why are you interested in a graduate degree in biomedical research?
- How will the MARC-WSU program help you achieve your aspirations?
- What barriers have you encountered in your life and if so, how have you overcome them (educational, personal, social, cultural, etc.)?
- What area of research are you interested in?
- What are your career goals?
- What other information would you like to share about yourself?

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Transcripts and Recommendations


Transcripts

After submitting this application, you will need to send us transcripts from all post-secondary institutions that you attended. As mentioned above at the beginning of the form, these **can be unofficial transcripts**. Transcripts should be emailed to WSU.MARC@wsu.edu and the subject line of the email should say YOUR NAME_Transcript.

To help us know what transcript we should expect to receive from you, we ask you to indicate below for which post-secondary institutions you will be sending transcripts .

I will be emailing transcripts to the MARC-WSU program from the following post-secondary institutions: *

Please list one post-secondary institution per row. Use the plus button at the right of each row to add additional rows.

<input type="text"/>


Letters of Recommendation

Request two letters of recommendation to be submitted by the deadline. The **letters of recommendation** must be from faculty who either taught, mentored, or advised you and should address your suitability for a future career in the biomedical sciences. The letters of recommendation should be sent to WSU.MARC@wsu.edu and the subject line of the email should say STUDENT NAME_recommendation (i.e., ask the faculty member to use your name in the subject line).

To help us know what letters of recommendation we should expect to receive from the two faculty who will be supporting your application, we ask you to provide their contact information. When you submit this form, we will send them an automated notification to provide them with a reminder about

these instructions. However, we still encourage you to also contact the faculty and explain what to do in your own words.

Name of first faculty member providing a letter of recommendation *

First

Last

First faculty recommender's email *

Enter Email

Confirm Email

Name of second faculty member providing a letter of recommendation *

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Second faculty recommender's email *

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Confirm Email

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How did you first hear about the MARC-WSU program? *

- ☐ Research mentor
- ☐ LSAMP
- ☐ TMP
- ☐ Native American Program
- ☐ African American, ChicanX/LatinX, Asian American/Pacific Islander program
- ☐ Departmental program email
- ☐ Honors College
- ☐ MARC-WSU website
- ☐ Other

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