



TOPIC: University of Maryland University College: Facilities Master Plan

COMMITTEE: Finance

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: November 20, 2014 (action)
October 9, 2014 (presentation and information)

SUMMARY: The University of Maryland University College (UMUC) requests approval of its 2012-2022 Facilities Master Plan (FMP).

Since 1947, UMUC has served the needs of working adults and members of the US Armed Forces seeking a post-secondary degree. UMUC offers top-quality education that is respected, affordable, and accessible. UMUC's more than ninety-thousand primarily non-traditional students are located in Maryland, across the United States, and around the globe. There are over a quarter of a million enrollments annually in classes that are taught primarily online, but also in face-to-face and hybrid modalities. UMUC offers nearly one-thousand distinct courses in more than one-hundred bachelor and master degree programs.

UMUC's main administration centers are located in Prince George's County, in Adelphi and Largo, Maryland. These facilities make up 494,565 of net assignable square feet owned by the University. UMUC also leases an additional 40,915 gross square feet (GSF) at four satellite facilities within the Washington/Baltimore metropolitan region, including: Dorsey Station, Waldorf Center, the Universities at Shady Grove and Quantico. UMUC has made significant investments in all of its facilities in recent years, including a full renovation of the Academic Center at Largo, Largo 2, the Administration Building and the Inn & Conference Center.

The 2012-2022 FMP is based on UMUC's unique mission and strategic objectives. Key features of the 2012-2022 FMP update include planning new and existing facilities in light of the demands of a contemporary workforce where flexibility, collaboration, and work location options are important considerations. Our facilities of the future will be more versatile, efficient, and desirable. There will be a much greater use of flexible spaces that will be used for offices and meetings rooms during the day and classrooms in the evenings. The FMP calls for fully embracing more flexible and alternative work schedules and locations. Our facilities will require less square footage per employee, will be more environmentally friendly, and will provide for greater employee satisfaction and productivity.

ALTERNATIVE(S): The 2012-2022 FMP documents UMUC's long-term planning objectives and is consistent with the University's mission, strategic plan, and growth projections.

FISCAL IMPACT: The 2012-2022 FMP will reduce pressure on the capital budget as it calls for behavioral and facility changes to address additional growth, with new facilities being the last option.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance Committee recommend that the Board of Regents approve the UMUC Facilities Master Plan and materials as presented to the Committee in October. Approval of the Plan does not imply approval of capital projects or funding. These items will be reviewed through the normal procedures of the capital and operating budget processes.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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