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The University System of Maryland (USM) is the state’s public higher education system. Benefiting students, as well as Maryland and its citizens, USM:

- Offers expansive access to affordable, high-quality educational opportunities.
- Performs groundbreaking research.
- Instills a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship.
- Promotes economic growth and workforce development.
- Provides vital services to communities and individuals.

The university system comprises 12 institutions, two regional higher education centers, and a system office. USM’s programs and activities have a significant impact on the quality of life in Maryland, creating social and economic benefits for people throughout the state and beyond.
EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION

As a system of higher education, USM creates a dynamic environment that is helping to power Maryland, the nation, and the world forward. USM is a recognized leader in many areas. These include academic and research excellence, innovation, economic and workforce development, and the effective and efficient use of resources.

Educational Opportunities
Highly ranked academic universities and programs, outstanding faculty and staff, and innovative academic models are all hallmarks of USM. Providing high-quality and affordable academic programs, and increasing student retention and completion rates are among the system’s top priorities. USM offers hundreds of undergraduate, graduate, professional, and certificate programs. Furthermore, USM’s new Center for Academic Innovation is researching, developing, and implementing strategies and practices to help increase students’ academic success.

Research
USM faculty and staff continue to advance research and discovery, attracting more than $1 billion in external grants and contracts annually. USM research is advancing understanding in many areas, including bioinformatics, cybersecurity, environmental science, food science, photonics, the social sciences, and vaccine development.

Economic and Workforce Development
USM plays a major role in the state’s and the region’s economic and workforce development. USM institutions address critical workforce shortage areas, especially those related to STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics). At least two-thirds of the state’s STEM degrees are awarded by USM institutions. The system also advances commercialization and technology transfer. For example, USM institutions have facilitated the launch of more than 250 companies since 2011.

Effective Use of Resources
Since the launch of its Effectiveness and Efficiency Initiative in 2004, USM has saved more than $462 million. In addition, USM leads the state in sustainability efforts with more than 50 facilities constructed and/or planned as LEED-certified “Silver” or higher.

Service
Each year USM students, staff, and faculty contribute more than a million of hours of service to the community through cultural programs, legal and medical clinics, partnerships with public schools and the business community, and other initiatives.

USM Overview*

Undergraduate Students: 120,640 (stateside)
125,433 (worldwide)

Graduate Students: 41,637 (stateside)
41,706 (worldwide)

Full-time Faculty**: 8,747
Part-time Faculty**: 6,591
Staff (various categories)**: 23,419
Facilities: 100 sites
Buildings: Nearly 1,000, including 20 libraries
Operating Budget: $5.04 billion (FY 2015)

*Data throughout are from the USM Office of Administration and Finance and reflect preliminary data presented to the Board of Regents. Student enrollment data are for fall 2014. Students attending the regional higher education centers and research institution are enrolled at degree-granting institutions and are counted once, in their home institution’s enrollment total. Faculty totals include instructional, research, and public service faculty.

**These are latest figures available at the time of publication.
*The University System of Maryland has four multidisciplinary centers at which USM institutions carry out collaborative research: the Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology, the Institute of Fluorescence, and the Medical Biotechnology Center, all located in Baltimore; and the Institute for Bioscience and Biotechnology in Rockville.

The University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science has laboratories in Cambridge on the Eastern Shore, at Solomons in Southern Maryland, and in Frostburg in Western Maryland.

The University of Maryland, College Park has Technology Extension Service offices, Agricultural Experiment Station sites, University of Maryland Extension offices, and Fire and Rescue Institute facilities throughout Maryland.

The University of Maryland University College has education sites throughout the state and in 21 countries and two territories worldwide.

USM institutions also offer courses at the regional higher education centers operated by the state.
BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY provides access to affordable, high-quality educational opportunities for culturally diverse students and empowers them to find new possibilities to take charge of their futures. Recognized as one of America’s Top Colleges by Forbes magazine, Bowie State offers 41 bachelor’s and master’s degree programs, two doctoral programs, and 17 graduate and advanced study certificates, with a focus on computer science, information technology, business, health and natural sciences, and education. The suburban campus is conveniently located near Washington, D.C., Baltimore, and Annapolis.

Bowie State’s signature pipeline program, Education Innovation Initiative (ei/²), prepares students to become leaders in technology-related careers with hands-on opportunities to tackle real-world problems for corporations and government agencies. Expert faculty foster student success with award-winning teaching methods and a passion for supportive mentoring. Bowie’s dynamic learning environment helps students to explore new challenges and impact their communities as researchers on NASA missions, analysts for the Environmental Protection Agency, developers of virtual reality platforms to evaluate emergency evacuation plans, and in other diverse and important ways.

At Bowie State University, students find a rich learning environment and modern, high-tech laboratories that prepare them to take on new challenges.
In 2015, Coppin State will cut the ribbon on its state-of-the-art Science and Technology Center, which will house science-related disciplines, support health sciences programs, and provide a new, technology-based learning environment on campus.

COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY, a historically black institution, is an urban liberal arts campus anchored in northwest Baltimore. Founded in 1900, Coppin State offers 33 majors, 12 graduate degree programs, and eight certificates with courses in nursing, business, criminal justice, social and behavioral sciences, education, and STEM disciplines. Coppin State provides flexible course schedules that include day, evening, weekend, and online classes.

The university prepares students to be competitive in regional and global markets through its commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and community engagement. Coppin State proudly produces analytical, socially responsible, lifelong learners.

Coppin State houses the Bishop L. Robinson Sr. Justice Institute, named after the first African-American police commissioner of Baltimore City. The center provides training, education, and research on a broad range of justice issues in law enforcement, corrections, public health, and related social factors that contribute to the prevention of crime in urban communities.

Coppin State offers educational access and diverse opportunities for Baltimore residents as well as students from around the world.

LOCATION Baltimore • PRESIDENT Mortimer Neufville •
FOUNDED 1900 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 2,684 •
GRADUATE STUDENTS 449 • OPERATING BUDGET $90.9 million •
FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.951.3000 or www.coppin.edu
FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH TRANSFORMATIVE EXPERIENCES as part of their educational journey is a growing emphasis at Frostburg State University (FSU), evident in the new Center for Communications and Information Technology, opened in 2014. The foundation of strong academics, experiential education, and personal attention from outstanding faculty and staff all help launch graduates to professional success.

Frostburg has been recognized as a College of Distinction and a Military Friendly School and has earned a place on the President’s Honor Roll for Service. Several of its online programs are noted as “Best Buys” by GetEducated.com, a consumer organization. FSU has received accolades for its emphasis on sustainability, including the Award for Institutional Excellence in Climate Leadership from Second Nature and places on Sierra magazine’s “Coolest Schools” list and The Princeton Review’s Guide to 322 Green Colleges.

LOCATION Frostburg • PRESIDENT Jonathan C. Gibralter • FOUNDED 1898 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 4,915 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 730 • OPERATING BUDGET $109.3 million • FOR MORE INFORMATION 301.687.4000 or www.frostburg.edu

Frostburg State University is one university with a world of experiences. From small classes led by excellent professors to prestigious internships, exciting research, and abundant study abroad opportunities, Frostburg offers a quality, affordable education.
Exceptional students, a highly regarded faculty, and dynamic administration have made SU “A Maryland University of National Distinction.”
TOWSON UNIVERSITY

A LARGE INSTITUTION WITH A SMALL-CAMPUS FEEL, Towson University is recognized among the nation’s best regional public institutions for its excellent degree programs in fields that include communications, business, health care, education, fine arts, and the sciences.

The Towson educational experience emphasizes service learning, civic engagement, and study abroad. Its interdisciplinary partnerships with public and private enterprises throughout Maryland provide students with opportunities for research, internships, and jobs.


Located eight miles north of Baltimore, Towson’s beautiful, 328-acre campus offers easy access to a wealth of academic and community resources. Towson also offers courses online and at off-campus locations throughout Maryland.

LOCATION Towson • INTERIM PRESIDENT Timothy Chandler • FOUNDED 1866 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 18,807 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 3,478 • OPERATING BUDGET $456.5 million • FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.704.2000 or www.towson.edu

Towson University is the first public university in Maryland to offer a major in middle school education. Graduates of this program specialize in meeting the unique academic needs of early adolescents.
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE

THE STATE’S ONLY HEALTH, LAW, AND HUMAN SERVICES UNIVERSITY, the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) features a unique mix of professional schools, including schools of medicine, law, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and social work, as well as a graduate school. Established as the College of Medicine of Maryland in 1807, the university is the founding institution of the University System of Maryland. UMB offers an interdisciplinary approach and dedication to leadership and excellence in professional and graduate education, research, public service, and patient care, and confers nearly 60 percent of all professional practice degrees in the state.

A major biomedical research institution, UMB’s campus features the 12-acre University of Maryland BioPark, which includes 470,000 square feet of lab and office space dedicated to translational research centers and private biotechnology companies, the state-of-the-art Maryland Forensic Medical Center, as well as the $200 million Maryland Proton Treatment Center, which opens in 2015. The BioPark’s 25 commercial tenants employ more than 550 people, and 700 students train at the facility for careers in health science and business.

LOCATION Baltimore • PRESIDENT Jay A. Perman, M.D. • FOUNDED 1807 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 792 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 5,484 • OPERATING BUDGET $1.07 billion • FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.706.3100 or www.umaryland.edu

The University of Maryland, Baltimore is home to nationally ranked programs in medicine, law, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and social work.
UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE

Located in Baltimore’s Mount Vernon Cultural District, the University of Baltimore (UB) offers undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs in business, law, public affairs, and applied arts and sciences. The university is actively involved with its surrounding communities through its legal clinics and its centers, including the Schaefer Center for Public Policy; the Sayra and Neil Meyerhoff Center for Families, Children and the Courts; the Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation; and The Bob Parsons Veterans Center. Each of its four schools—the Merrick School of Business, the Yale Gordon College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Public Affairs, and the School of Law—plays a vital role in the progress of the city and of the state. UB’s enrollment growth has been matched by its physical enhancements, including its award-winning, sustainably designed law center and a revitalized home for its arts and sciences and public affairs departments.

LOCATION Baltimore • PRESIDENT Kurt L. Schmoke • FOUNDED 1925 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 3,405 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 2,937 • OPERATING BUDGET $138.2 million • FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.837.4200 or www.ubalt.edu

With a commitment to both its urban environment and real-world education, the University of Baltimore is known for its community involvement and its career-focused academic programs.
Kiplinger's Personal Finance named UMCP the 5th Best Value in Public Colleges in 2013. 

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY’s (UMBC) deep commitment to innovative teaching, leading-edge research, and supportive community empowers and inspires inquisitive minds. UMBC offers an honors university experience that combines the learning opportunities of a liberal arts college with the creative intensity of a top research university. At the same time, UMBC is building one of the country’s most inclusive graduate education communities.

**U.S. News & World Report** has named UMBC a national leader in both innovation and undergraduate teaching. **Times Higher Education** recognizes UMBC as one of the world’s top 100 young universities for strong research, innovation, and an international outlook. **The Princeton Review, Kiplinger’s Personal Finance, and Fiske Guide to Colleges** have named UMBC a “Best Value” university.

UMBC’s government and industry partnerships advancing entrepreneurship, workforce training, K–16 education, and technology commercialization contribute to the state’s economic development. More than 100 technology, bioscience, and research companies and organizations are located at the bwtech@UMBC Research and Technology Park, which is also home to Maryland’s first Cyber Incubator.

**LOCATION** Baltimore • **PRESIDENT** Freeman A. Hrabowski III • **FOUNDED** 1966 • **UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS** 11,379 • **GRADUATE STUDENTS** 2,600 • **OPERATING BUDGET** $404.9 million • FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.455.1000 or www.umbc.edu

U.S. News & World Report has named UMBC a national leader in both innovation and undergraduate teaching.
Committed to encouraging fearless ideas, UMCP offers more than 100 courses designed to foster innovation and entrepreneurship.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK (UMCP) is USM's flagship institution and a top-tier public research university fueled by a half-billion-dollar research enterprise. The only public research university inside the Washington, D.C. beltway, UMCP is uniquely positioned to develop strategic partnerships with national institutions that provide unparalleled opportunities for faculty and students.

Committed to encouraging fearless ideas, UMCP offers more than 100 courses designed to foster innovation and entrepreneurship, while hosting more than a dozen business, innovation, and seed fund competitions for aspiring innovators.

As part of its culturally diverse community, UMCP provides countless out-of-classroom opportunities, 27 living and learning environments, and more than 130 study abroad programs to empower students to make a global impact. The faculty includes three Nobel laureates, three Pulitzer Prize winners, two National Medal of Science winners, 47 members of the national academies, and scores of Fulbright scholars.

Among public universities, UMCP is ranked No. 20 by U.S. News & World Report and No. 14 by Forbes, and Kiplinger’s Personal Finance names UMCP among the top 10 best values in public colleges.

LOCATION College Park • PRESIDENT Wallace D. Loh • FOUNDED 1856 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 27,056 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 10,554 • OPERATING BUDGET $1.86 billion • FOR MORE INFORMATION 301.405.1000 or www.umd.edu
UMES’ PGA Golf Management curriculum is enjoying an upswing in interest among students as well as adults, who in the past year underwrote five full-ride scholarships to support the program.
UMUC’s Cyber Padawans were crowned champions at the 2014 Global CyberLympics in Barcelona, Spain and won the 2013 Cyber Maryland Challenge, two competitions showcasing the world’s best student and professional cybersecurity talent.
UMCES is the premier research and educational institute working to understand and manage our world’s natural resources. Its network of four regional laboratories—the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory in Solomons, Appalachian Laboratory in Frostburg, Horn Point Laboratory in Cambridge, and Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology in Baltimore (in collaboration with UMBC and UMB)—uses cutting-edge science to find solutions to environmental challenges in the Chesapeake Bay and around the world.

A trusted scientific advisor to state and national leaders, UMCES provides unbiased research to inform public policy that impacts the lives of Marylanders. A world-renowned faculty educates the next generation of science leaders, working side-by-side to connect their passion for the environment to a greater good. Educational programs include graduate studies, undergraduate research internships, and K–12 environmental education activities for students and teachers.

LOCATION Headquarters in Cambridge • PRESIDENT Donald F. Boesch • FOUNDED 1925 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 85 • OPERATING BUDGET $46.8 million • FOR MORE INFORMATION 410.228.9250 or www.umces.edu
UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE

THE UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE (USG) is an innovative partnership of nine University System of Maryland universities on one campus. Each university awards its own degrees and offers a selection of its most highly sought academic programs, chosen specifically to meet the needs of regional employers. USG, in turn, provides centralized on-site student, academic, and administrative services. This integrated approach allows USG to offer easily accessible pathways to 80 upper-level undergraduate, graduate, and professional degree and certificate programs.

USG is committed to creating outstanding career opportunities for students while providing regional employers with a highly educated, skilled workforce. With degree and certificate programs available on a flexible full-time, part-time, evening, and weekend basis, students at USG are able to complete their education in an affordable and timely manner close to home.

Planning and design are under way on a 220,000-square-foot Biomedical Sciences and Engineering Education Facility slated to break ground in 2016 and open in fall 2018. This facility will help meet the needs of the region’s projected workforce, especially in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical sciences (STEMM).

LOCATION Rockville • EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Stewart Edelstein • FOUNDED 2000 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 2,557 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 1,404 • FOR MORE INFORMATION 301.738.6000 or www.shadygrove.umd.edu
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND AT HAGERSTOWN

THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND AT HAGERSTOWN (USMH) is a regional center that offers more than 20 programs of study from six University System of Maryland institutions. USMH has grown steadily since opening in 2005 and continues to initiate new undergraduate and graduate programs in response to area workforce demand and student interest.

These partner universities offer their premier academic programs in a convenient and accessible location, allowing students to complete their degrees in a timely and cost-effective manner.

USMH provides opportunities for local students in an educationally underserved portion of the state. With more than 1,300 graduates to date, USMH is helping to raise the college degree attainment rate in Western Maryland and supply a skilled workforce for employers in the region.

LOCATION Hagerstown • EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Mark Halsey • FOUNDED 2005 • UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS 301 • GRADUATE STUDENTS 167 • FOR MORE INFORMATION 240.527.2060 or www.hagerstown.usmd.edu
USM LEADERSHIP

BOARD OF REGENTS
A 17-member Board of Regents governs the University System of Maryland. Appointed by the governor, the regents oversee the system’s academic, administrative, and financial operations; formulate policy; and appoint the USM chancellor and the presidents of the system’s 12 institutions. With their experience in many fields—including education, business, service, and law—regents volunteer their expertise and time to help the university system meet the diverse needs of its students and the state.

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UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND OFFICE
The USM office, located in Adelphi, serves as staff to the Board of Regents. Under the leadership of the chancellor, system office staff members advocate on behalf of the 12 USM institutions and two regional centers and facilitate collaboration and efficiencies among institutions.

Also at the Adelphi location are the offices of the University System of Maryland Foundation. A not-for-profit corporation separate from USM, the foundation oversees investments of an endowment and other assets totaling $1.14 billion as of June 30, 2014.

www.usmd.edu/usm/chancellor

www.usmd.edu/usm/foundation
APPLY/TRANSFER TO A USM UNIVERSITY

For information on applying and/or transferring to a USM university, visit www.usmd.edu/usm/admissions.

USM maintains a portal to make it even easier to transfer from a Maryland community college to one of the system’s 11 degree-granting institutions. See the transfer coordinator at your college or contact the admissions office at the USM university of your choice. Access the transfer portal at http://artsys.usmd.edu/transferinfo.html.

WAY2GOMARYLAND

Let Way2GoMaryland—the University System of Maryland’s information campaign—help you chart your way to college. Get an early start on your path to college by visiting www.way2gomaryland.org

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