



## USM Overview

Undergraduate Students: 133,242 Graduate Students: 41,934 Full-time Faculty: 8,776 Part-time Faculty: 7,327 Staff (various categories): 23,281 Facilities: 100 sites Buildings: Nearly 1,000including 20 libraries **Operating Budget:** \$5.48 billion (FY 2018)

**USM Quick Points** of Excellence





# About the University System of Maryland

The University System of Maryland (USM) is the state's public higher education system. It comprises 12 institutions, two regional higher education centers, and a system office working together to improve the quality of life in Maryland through excellence and innovation.



#### **ENSURING ACCESS**, AFFORDABILTY, AND COMPLETION, USM:

- Enrolled nearly 95 percent of students attending Maryland's public, four-year institutions, with a total enrollment of 175,176 students in FY 2017.
- Granted nearly 75 percent of all bachelor's degrees in Maryland, with 40,303 total degrees (associate's, bachelor's, master's, and doctorate) awarded in FY 2017.
- Awarded 6,743 undergraduate STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) degrees in FY 2017, enhancing Maryland's ability to thrive and compete in these high-demand fields.
- Continued to improve affordability. Average undergraduate tuition for fulltime, in-state students, once ranked sixth highest, now ranks 21<sup>st</sup> nationally.
- Increased need-based, institutional **financial aid** for students by nearly 140 percent since 2004.





- Saved students nearly \$1.6 million in **textbook costs** through the Maryland Open Source Textbook initiative, a collaboration between the USM Student Council and USM's Kirwan Center for Academic Innovation.
- Increased USM's underrepresented minority (URM) student population to 42 percent of all USM students in FY 2016, exceeding the percentage of URM groups represented in Maryland's population overall.

#### ADVANCING ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH **EXCELLENCE, USM:**

Boasts 10 institutions ranked among the nation's best in specific categories by U.S. News & World Report: Bowie State University; Coppin State University; Frostburg State University; Salisbury University (SU); Towson University; University of Baltimore; University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB); University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC); University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP); and University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

- Celebrates UMCP's No. 22 ranking among public research universities **nationally** and its recognition among the top 50 Best Global Universities by U.S. News & World Report.
- Takes pride in UMBC being ranked among the nation's top **universities** for innovation (No. 7) and undergraduate teaching quality (No. 13) nationally by U.S. News & World Report.
- Applauds UMCP and UMB's rankings among the top 500 universities worldwide by the Center for World University Rankings.
- Celebrates UMBC, SU, and UMCP's rankings among Kiplinger's Personal Finance "Best Values in Public Colleges."



- Takes pride in University of Maryland **University College's** (UMUC's) No. 1 ranking among online and nontraditional universities on *Military* Times' "Best Colleges 2018" list.
- Competed successfully for more than \$1.29 billion in external grants and contracts in FY 2017, supporting vital research and development.

#### USING RESOURCES WISELY, USM:

- Saved \$597.1 million since 2004 through its Effectiveness and Efficiency initiatives.
- Maintained favorable debt ratings from bond-rating agencies, including a rating of Aa1 from Moody's Investors Service. USM is one of only 27 public higher education institutions to earn one of Moody's top two ratings. (Latest Moody's survey, July 2017)
- Leads the state in sustainability efforts, with more than 70 facilities constructed or in development as LEED-certified "Silver" or higher.
- Raised \$291 million in private support in FY 2017.



- (UMB, UMBC, and UMCP).
- **companies** since 2011.
- start-up companies.
- **the community** through cultural and other initiatives.

Note: For information on current rankings of all USM universities, visit: WWW.USMD.EDU/NEWSROOM/USMRANKINGS.HTML

#### FUELING THE STATE'S ECONOMY AND **ENHANCING QUALITY** OF LIFE, USM:

Houses 275 tenants and 9,800 jobs in research parks at three institutions

Facilitated the creation of 589

Won 112 Maryland Innovation Initiative grants (UMB, UMBC, **UMCP**), totaling \$11.6 million, in the last 4.5 years to assist USM faculty and startups with technology commercialization opportunities.

Awarded \$1.2 million to a UMCPborn startup company via the Maryland Momentum Fund, USM's venture capital fund to provide critical early funding for USM-affiliated

 Contributes a powerful alumni base, with an estimated 70 to 80 percent of its graduates living in and contributing to communities in Maryland.

Contributes more than a million hours of service each year to

programs, legal and medical clinics, partnerships with public schools and the business community,

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The University System of Maryland is a major educational, research, economic, and social engine for the state. Working with partners statewide, we build on these strengths to improve student success, foster academic and research innovation, advance economic and workforce development, and improve quality of life. We strive to serve our students and our state effectively, efficiently, and with excellence.

USM Chancellor Robert L. Caret