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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.
- Partners with business, governments, nonprofits, and other organizations to improve quality of life.

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 William E. Kirwan 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 fuel 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 300 companies since 2011.

Effective Use of Resources
Since the launch of its Effectiveness and Efficiency Initiative in 2004, USM has saved more than $544 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. In 2015, USM launched E & E 2.0, the next generation of its Effectiveness and Efficiency Initiative.

Service
Each year USM students, staff, and faculty contribute more than a million 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: 120,295
126,344 (worldwide)
Graduate Students: 41,705
41,782 (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: $5.13 billion

*Data throughout are from the USM Office of Administration and Finance and reflect 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.

Operating budget totals (including state appropriations, tuition and fees, and contract and grant revenue) are for FY 2016 and subject to revision.

**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.
At Bowie State University, real-world learning opportunities with business and industry and challenging academic programs set the foundation for student success. Culturally diverse students are drawn to the university’s 150-year heritage of affordable excellence that empowers them to take charge of their futures. 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, nursing, 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 (ei²), prepares students to become leaders in technology-related careers with hands-on opportunities to tackle problems for businesses and communities. 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 as researchers on NASA missions, analysts for the Environmental Protection Agency, developers of virtual reality platforms to evaluate emergency evacuation plans, and in other varied and important ways.

Location Bowie • President Mickey L. Burnim • Founded 1865
Undergraduate Students 4,456 • Graduate Students 1,239
Operating Budget $119.3 million • For more information 301.860.4000 or www.bowiestate.edu
In fall 2015, Coppin State will open its state-of-the-art Science and Technology Center, housing science-related disciplines, supporting health sciences programs, and providing a new, technology-based learning environment for West Baltimore.

COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY

COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY (CSU), 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. CSU provides flexible course schedules that include day, evening, weekend, and online classes.

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

The university 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 Maria Thompson • Founded 1900
Undergraduate Students 2,684 • Graduate Students 449
Operating Budget $91.3 million • For more information
410.951.3000 or www.coppin.edu
Providing students with transformative experiences as part of their educational journey is a growing emphasis at Frostburg State University (FSU), a quality evident in the Catherine R. Gira Center for Communications and Information Technology, opened in 2014. This foundation launches its graduates to professional success, achieved through not only strong academics and experiential education, but also personal attention from knowledgeable faculty and staff.

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 353 Green Colleges.

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.

Location Frostburg • President (interim) Thomas L. Bowling • Founded 1898 • Undergraduate Students 4,915 • Graduate Students 730 • Operating Budget $111.3 million • For more information 301.687.4000 or www.frostburg.edu
Nationally recognized for academic excellence, Salisbury University (SU) has a creative curriculum emphasizing undergraduate research, study abroad, professional internships, and community engagement. Meeting changing workforce needs, it offers new doctoral programs in education and nursing practice, and exciting entrepreneurship competitions with more than $300,000 annually in grants to students and others.

Located on the historic Eastern Shore, the beautiful 182-acre campus is home to more than 8,700 students from 35 states and 71 nations. All four of its schools are endowed, a rarity among public institutions. The campus includes Perdue Hall, the home for SU’s business school, and Sea Gull Square, a 230,000-square-foot residence-retail complex. Consistently ranked among the nation’s top colleges by The Princeton Review and U.S. News & World Report, Salisbury also is cited as a “best value” by Kiplinger’s Personal Finance, Washington Monthly, Forbes, and Money. Its competitive NCAA Division III athletic teams have earned 18 national championships.

Location Salisbury • President Janet Dudley-Eshbach • Founded 1925 • Undergraduate Students 7,997 • Graduate Students 773 • Operating Budget $186.3 million • For more information 410.543.6000 or www.salisbury.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 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 3,485 • Graduate Students 2,937 • Operating Budget $139.8 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.
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 the majority of all professional practice degrees in the state.

Its 12-acre University of Maryland BioPark is driving the commercialization of new drugs, diagnostics, and devices, encouraging collaboration among biotechnology companies and UMB. Two buildings housing 31 tenants are fully leased and construction of a third 250,000-square-foot commercial building is expected to begin within the year. The Maryland Forensic Medical Center, the most advanced in the nation, opened in summer 2010, and the $200 million Maryland Proton Treatment Center will begin treating oncology patients in late 2015.

The University of Maryland, Baltimore is home to nationally ranked programs in medicine, law, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and social work.
U.S. News & World Report has named UMBC a national leader in innovation and undergraduate teaching.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY’S (UMBC) commitment to innovative teaching, relevant research across disciplines, and supporting 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 leading research university. At the same time, UMBC is one of the country’s most inclusive communities for undergraduate and graduate education.

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 120 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 $413.1 million • For more information 410.455.1000 or www.umbc.edu
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 400 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, 52 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 best values in public colleges.

Location  College Park  •  President  Wallace D. Loh  •  Founded  1856  
Undergraduate Students 27,056  •  Graduate Students 10,554  •  Operating Budget $1.9 billion  •  For more information 301.405.1000 or www.umd.edu
Precision agriculture is an emerging research frontier for UMES’ agriculture and aviation science faculty, who are using unmanned aerial vehicles to guide decisions on effective applications of water and nutrients.
In 2015, UMUC was named “Educator of the Year” by the World Affairs Council D.C.; ranked No. 1 on the Military Times list of “Best for Vets: Colleges”; and received the President’s Award from the Open Education Consortium for its commitment to adopting open-source material in all classes by fall 2016.
UMCES trains the next generation of environmental stewards to meet the global challenges of the 21st century.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (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 $47.6 million • For more information 410.228.9250 or www.umces.edu
THE UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE (USG) is an innovative partnership of nine University System of Maryland universities on one campus. Each university offers a selection of their most highly sought academic programs, and awards its own degrees. 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 offers flexible options to attend school full-time or part-time, with evening and weekend classes. Students are able to complete their education in an affordable and timely manner close to home. USG provides outstanding career opportunities for students while providing regional employers with a highly educated, skilled workforce.

Planning and design is underway on a new 220,000 square-foot Biomedical Sciences and Engineering Education Facility slated to break ground in 2016 and open in fall of 2018. This facility is programmed to meet the needs of the region’s projected workforce especially in the 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.

USMH provides opportunities for local students in an educationally underserved region of the state. To support enrollment growth, USMH in fall 2015 will begin to offer affordable student housing through a public-private partnership with the city of Hagerstown and a local developer, allowing full-time students the opportunity to live in the downtown core within two blocks of the center. In fall 2015, USMH will also bring an M.S. in school counseling from Frostburg State University to meet area demand for professionals in this field. With more than 1,500 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 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.
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.