



Honors Agreement



Transfer students from Harford Community College's (HCC) Honors Program, are guaranteed admissions to The Honors College at UMBC during their first semester at UMBC, provided the student has met the following criteria:

- Applied to UMBC by the published priority deadline.
- Admitted to UMBC as a degree seeking student.
- Applied to the Honors College by the published deadline.
- Confirmation is received by UMBC, prior to matriculation at UMBC, that the student has met the requirements of the HCC Honors Program.
- Completed a certificate and/or associates degree from HCC prior to enrollment at UMBC.
- Has earned at least a 3.7 cumulative GPA at the time of the application to The Honors College at UMBC. *(Students may be eligible for admission to the Honors College with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or greater, but only students with a 3.7 cumulative GPA or higher are guaranteed admission to the Honors College.)*

Academic Planning

- Students should work closely with their academic advisor at HCC to develop an academic plan to ensure a seamless transition.
- Three honors courses from HCC may be applied towards The Honors College certificate requirements as Honors electives provided the courses were designated as Honors, carried at least three credits, and were passed with a 3.0 or above on a 4.0 grading scale. Students will complete the remaining Honors College certificate requirements as a member of the UMBC Honors College.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Information

To maximize consideration for need-based aid, students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after October 1 but prior to February 14 for fall admission and December 14 for spring admission.

Students transferring from HCC to UMBC who meet application deadlines, academic and financial qualification that apply to all students, may be eligible for consideration for the following scholarships offered by UMBC:

- **The Academic Achievement Award for Transfers (AAAT)** - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards of up to \$2,500 for each of two academic years of study. May be used for full- or part-time study.
- **Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Scholarship** - awarded to community college transfers on the basis of academic accomplishment. Awards range from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year for each of two academic years of study. May be used for full- or part-time study. Students must submit proof of PTK membership to be eligible for consideration.
- **Transfer Student Alliance (TSA)** - awarded to community college transfers who will complete the associate's degree and meet all other program requirements. Awards of \$1,500 per year for two academic years may be used for full- or part-time study.

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