

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY:

UMBC AT THE UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE



Our Reputation,
Your Backyard.

UMBC's Bachelor of Arts in History program at The Universities at Shady Grove (USG) offers students an opportunity to develop analytical and communication skills and serves to broaden perspectives on the past. With an emphasis on public history, policy history and international historical perspectives, UMBC's program is designed to encourage the development of good writing and research skills in conjunction with innovative and critical thinking. The program is excellent preparation for careers in law, government service, education, communications and management, public history, research, as well as for entry into graduate program.

Students are encouraged to engage in active learning experiences such as internships and in-depth research at the undergraduate level. Students obtain internships through the History department and UMBC's Shriver Center.

Majoring in history taught me about the past, present, and the future. The skills I learned are very valuable in the business world, and made me a better human being. I highly value my UMBC history education.

**Josh Templeton, 2001
History, B.A.**

GUIDE TO SUCCESS: BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

STEP ONE: PLAN

Plan early and plan often. Come to an information session as soon as you are considering UMBC at The Universities at Shady Grove so that we can help you decide which courses to take while you are still at community college. Find the dates of our information sessions at www.umbc.edu/shadygrove.

STEP TWO: REGISTER

Register for the right courses while you are at your community colleges. Make sure you are fulfilling UMBC's general education requirements including:

- English Composition: EN 102 or EN 109.
- Arts and Humanities Courses: Three courses, at least two in the same area. For example, take two music classes and EN 101. Or, take EN 101, an English literature class, and a philosophy.
- Social Science Courses: HS 114, and another History class (HS 117, 201, or HS 202) plus another social science, history, political science, sociology, or economics are all good choices
- Mathematics: MA 110 will suffice, but MA 116 is a good idea. Statistics forms an excellent foundation for the work you'll do in your major.
- Science Courses: Two, one with a lab, one without. This can be biology, chemistry, physics, nutrition or several others.
- Physical Education: Take two activity courses in Physical Education. There are certain exceptions to this, so check with an advisor.
- Language and Culture: You must meet the equivalent of the 201 level in a foreign language. This requirement can be complicated, so see an advisor at UMBC to find out how you can fulfill this requirement.

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STEP THREE: APPLY

Applications are available at www.umbc.edu/shadygrove. For additional information, contact UMBC Enrollment Specialist at 301-738-6081 or via e-mail at shadygrove@umbc.edu.

Once you receive your grades for the prior fall term, submit your application, official transcripts and other supporting materials to:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
 UMBC
 1000 Hilltop Circle
 Baltimore, MD 21250

The priority deadline for applying is March 15. If you are interested in applying for academic scholarships, be sure to submit your application for admission prior to this date. The final deadline is May 31. After that date, applications are accepted only on a space-available basis.

STEP FOUR: ATTEND

If you are admitted to UMBC at The Universities at Shady Grove, you will attend an orientation session before you start classes. The orientation session gives you a chance to meet your classmates, learn about all the UMBC and The Universities at Shady Grove services, and register for classes. We look forward to working with you as you reach your goals. If you have any questions or concerns, contact the UMBC Enrollment Specialist at 301-738-6081 or via e-mail at shadygrove@umbc.edu.

NOTE: Course numbers listed here are specific to Montgomery College. For information on specific courses that fulfill these requirements, see the ARTSYS Web site at <http://artweb.usmd.edu>. This information does not indicate a comprehensive listing of all degree requirements. Additional information about academic rules and regulations can be found in the UMBC Undergraduate Catalog and the Montgomery College Catalog. Students should consult an advisor every semester about appropriate course selection for meeting degree requirements.

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Through community college partnerships, UMBC offers B.A. programs in History, Political Science, Psychology and Social Work. A dynamic mix of talented, engaged and experienced professors teach students in small classroom sized-settings. UMBC also offers graduate programs, focusing on Industrial/Organizational Psychology and Geographic Information Systems.

SCHOLARSHIPS

UMBC awards transfer scholarships to academically talented community college students. To be considered for academic scholarships, you must complete the scholarship essay in the admissions application and meet minimum GPA requirements. Awards range from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year for each of two years of study.

FINANCIAL AID

Approximately 55% of undergraduate students at UMBC receive some form of aid: grants, work study, and loans. To apply for financial aid, you must complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) listing UMBC's Federal School Code 002105. The required FAFSA form is available on the Web at: www.fafsa.ed.gov, at the Office of Student Services at Shady Grove, or at your community college's financial aid office. For maximum consideration of need-based funding, valid FAFSA results (SAR) should be on file with the Federal Processor by March 1 prior to the upcoming academic year.

ADMISSIONS

By attending UMBC at The Universities at Shady Grove, you will benefit from having small class sizes and personal relationships with faculty, staff, and your fellow students. The UMBC programs offered at The Universities at Shady Grove have the same requirements as those offered on campus at UMBC. Program and graduation requirements, admission criteria, faculty and academic policies are the same; however, only UMBC's upper level courses are available at The Universities at Shady Grove. You must complete the lower-level course requirements at a local community college or at UMBC in suburban Baltimore. The admissions committee will evaluate your application on the basis of academic achievements at previous institutions. Cumulative grade point average, academic performance trends, strength of curriculum and performance in courses related to the intended area of study are also considered.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the programs UMBC offers at The Universities at Shady Grove, visit us online at www.umbc.edu/shadygrove, call us by phone at 301-738-6081, or e-mail shadygrove@umbc.edu

