

SCHOLARS PROGRAMS AT UMBC



HUMANITIES SCHOLARS APPLICATION

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Africana Studies

American Studies

Ancient Studies

Anthropology, Cultural

Asian Studies

English

Gender and Women's Studies

History

Media and Communication Studies

Modern Languages, Linguistics and Intercultural Communication

Philosophy

Interdisciplinary Studies

HUMANITIES SCHOLARS APPLICATION

The Humanities Scholars Program encourages strong students to pursue study in the areas of literature, history, philosophy, language and culture. Enrichment activities offered to scholars include a two-semester interdisciplinary seminar in their freshman year, trips to cultural events, a semester's study abroad, opportunities to meet with visiting lecturers and other extracurricular activities. In addition, the program helps scholars to establish close working relationships with humanities faculty at UMBC.

Application Instructions

1. Read all directions carefully. You will need to send your completed application packet by January 15. The application may be either typed or neatly printed.
2. If you have already applied to UMBC, please note this on your Humanities Scholars application. If you have not applied to UMBC, please complete the UMBC Undergraduate Admission Application no later than January 15.
3. Request two letters of recommendation from teachers in the humanities who are familiar with your work. At least one recommendation should be from an English, history or foreign language teacher. Be sure to allow enough time for your teachers to complete your recommendations before the due date.
4. In order to process your application, we must receive the following materials:
 - Humanities Scholars Application Form
 - Official High School Transcript
 - Official Standardized Test Scores (SAT or ACT)
 - Two Letters of Recommendation
 - UMBC Undergraduate Admission ApplicationIf any of these items have already been sent to UMBC, you do not need to re-submit them.
5. Mail completed application to:
UMBC Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships
1000 Hilltop Circle
Baltimore, MD 21250

Finalists will be interviewed by the UMBC Humanities Scholarship Selection Committee. Final scholarship decisions will be announced no later than March 31.



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Personal Information

1. Last Name First Name Middle Initial

2. Home Address

City State ZIP Code

3. Area Code/Telephone Number

4. Social Security Number

5. E-mail Address

6. If you have already applied to UMBC, please check here []

7. Intended Major 8. High School

9. SAT Scores: Highest Critical Reading Highest Math Highest Writing 10. Cumulative GPA

Background Information

11. On a separate piece of paper, please answer briefly and thoroughly the questions below:

- a. What are your principal areas of academic interest? What are your career goals?
b. Describe one or two extracurricular activities that have been particularly meaningful for you. What are your hobbies and interests outside of school?
c. What service or leadership experience have you gained through school or community actions?

Writing Sample

12. Please provide a sample of academic writing you completed in your study of any humanities-related field. This should be a formal piece of writing that demonstrates your critical reading and thinking skills at their best. Please submit the assignment to which your work responds, the name of the instructor to whom the assignment was submitted and a brief description of the course for which it was completed. This writing sample should not exceed five typed pages. You are free and encouraged to edit your work as needed. Please do not submit your original graded assignment.

Please note: appropriate subjects include Africana Studies, American Studies, Ancient Studies, Cultural Anthropology, English, Gender and Women's Studies, History, Media and Communication Studies, Modern Languages and Linguistics, Philosophy and Interdisciplinary Studies.

Letters of Recommendation

13. Enclose two teacher recommendations. (See instructions.)

The Honors College at UMBC

14. Humanities Scholars may choose to apply to the UMBC Honors College (see the Honors College website at www.umbc.edu/honors for a description of that program). Your decision to apply or not apply for the Honors College will have no effect on your review for the Humanities Scholars Program. Admissions decisions for the Honors College are determined by a separate committee. For consideration, applicants should have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in a strong college preparatory curriculum that includes honors, Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate coursework.

Would you like to be considered for admission to the Honors College on the basis of this application? Yes [] No []

Signature Date

Please return completed application and letters of recommendation to: UMBC Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore, MD 21250

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Humanities Scholars Recommendation

Applicant's Name: _____

Please provide us a general evaluation of the applicant. How well do you know the student? What kind of commitment does this student have to the humanities? Does the student demonstrate independent thought and critical analysis skills? Is the student someone who would take full advantage of study abroad?

Your Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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