

UMBC
Department of Education

Spring 2020
Teacher Education Scholarship Program

APPLICATION
Due December 2, 2019

The UMBC Education Department offers scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the Early Childhood, Elementary, Secondary, and TESOL programs. All students currently enrolled are eligible to apply. **Please note that the scholarship will post for the spring semester only and not count for summer or winter sessions.**

Applicants should submit this application form, a resume, a personal statement, an unofficial copy of their transcript and two recommendations (See below). **One recommendation must come from an Education Department faculty member.**

Completed applications and supporting documents are due no later than **December 2, 2019**. Return documents to: Department of Education, UMBC, 1000 Hilltop Circle, Baltimore MD 21250, Attn: Ms. Tiffany Shorter/Scholarship Committee.

NOTE: Only complete application packets will be reviewed (this includes both recommendations). It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all documents have been submitted. Recipients will be notified by the end of December.

1. Name (First, MI, Last): _____

2. Permanent Address: _____

3. City, State, Zip Code: _____

4. UMBC Email: _____ Campus ID _____

5. Please check ONE

[] Undergraduate teacher candidate: Major(s) _____

[] Graduate teacher candidate (MAT):

Name/Address of Undergraduate Institution: _____

6. Check the area of teacher certification you are seeking

[] Early Childhood Education

[] Secondary Education

[] Elementary Education

[] TESOL (certification & noncertification)

7. Qualifying exams (provide score/check which exam): Score _____
[] Praxis I [] Praxis Core [] SAT [] ACT [] GRE
8. Do you have a FAFSA application on file with the Office of Financial Aid?
[] YES [] NO
9. Are you willing to teach in a high-needs school? [] Yes [] No
10. When do you expect to complete Phase II of your internship?
[] Spring 2020 [] Fall 2020 [] Spring 2021 [] Fall 2021 or later
11. Did you, or will you apply for the following scholarships:
[] Teaching Fellows for Maryland Scholarship--Application due October 31st and can be found here:
<https://mhec.maryland.gov/preparing/Pages/TeachingFellowsMDScholarship.aspx>
[] US Federal Teach Grant—Information can be found here:
<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/teach>
12. **Statement of Need:** Please describe your current financial situation and specific need. Describe your sources of income (grants, scholarships, loans, and participation in special programs such as Sherman Scholars); impact of financial need on family, housing, and continuation in the UMBC teacher preparation program; and other factors you wish the committee to consider. All details will remain confidential.
13. **Personal Statement:** Attach a separate personal statement which reflects your commitment to teaching and addresses your record of contributions and accomplishments, particularly as they relate to the Department of Education's Mission statement (below).
14. Attach an unofficial copy of your transcript **and** a resume.
15. Names of those submitting letters of recommendation: One must be a faculty member in the Education Department. Recommendations should not come from family members.

Recommender #1 (UMBC Education Department faculty) _____

Title/Position: _____

Email: _____

Recommender #2 _____

Title/Position: _____

Email: _____

Applicant's Signature

Date

UMBC Mission Statement

The mission of the UMBC Teacher Education Unit is to research teaching and learning and to develop educators who are caring, thoughtful, knowledgeable, skilled, and responsive. We expect our graduates to respect diversity, to be leaders in their schools, and advocates for democracy and social justice.

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RECOMMENDATION FORM (DUE 12/2/19)

PART I: To be completed by the Scholarship Applicant

Please download and complete this section and give this form to the recommender.

Applicant name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Your Email _____ UMBC ID#: _____

PART II: To be completed by the Recommender

The UMBC Department of Education Scholarship Committee is interested in your perspectives on the applicant's qualifications as a teacher candidate. You are encouraged to attach a brief letter with additional comments. Recommendations should not come from family members.

1. Recommender's Name & Title: _____

2. Organization/Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

3. Telephone: _____ Email: _____

4. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity? _____

Please give your assessment of the applicant on the following criteria.

| | Excellent | Above Avg. | Avg. | Below Avg. | Weak | Unable to assess |
|--|-----------|------------|------|------------|------|------------------|
| Commitment to social justice & equity | | | | | | |
| Passion for learning & professional growth | | | | | | |
| Knowledge & skills related to teaching | | | | | | |
| Content area expertise | | | | | | |
| Collaboration/team building skills | | | | | | |
| Empathy | | | | | | |
| Ability to work with diverse learners | | | | | | |
| Written expression | | | | | | |
| Oral expression | | | | | | |
| Leadership skills | | | | | | |
| Technology skills | | | | | | |
| Overall potential as a teacher | | | | | | |

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please attach your additional comments to this page and return by **December 2, 2019** to:

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