# Scholarship Ambassador Position Description



## Who are the Scholarship Ambassadors?

#### What is the purpose of the Scholarship Ambassadors?

Scholarship Ambassadors assist UMBC's Merit Scholarship Unit in recruiting new scholarship students and growing the scholarship community among current students. They are important and vital members of the UMBC community who support scholarship programs and campus-wide special requests. The members' main priorities are to serve on student panels, attend receptions, plan social events, participate in online chats, and act as UMBC liaisons.

## What are the advantages of joining the Scholarship Ambassadors?

Being a Scholarship Ambassador can offer you the opportunity to interact with a variety of prospective and current students, as well as their families. You become part of a prestigious and elite group of student leaders giving you invaluable experience in public speaking and diplomacy. You will be given the chance to learn more about UMBC and get to know faculty and staff members. You can expect to strengthen your communication and public relations skills.

### What is expected of a Scholarship Ambassador?

Each Scholarship Ambassador is expected to participate in university scholarship programming and events such as Scholar Selection Day and Scholar Visit Days; as well as community and social outreach programs for current students. Scholarship Ambassadors are expected to attend training/regularly scheduled meetings and to read/respond to email communication. *The commitment is approximately 10-15 hours per semester.* 

#### Will I be trained to be a leader?

**YES!!!** All Scholarship Ambassadors will be required to attend new member training and semester meetings. During training, we will teach you how to be an effective student leader and Scholarship Ambassador. You will receive all the information needed on how to act as a liaison, serve on panels, mix and mingle as well as public speaking and community outreach.

#### **How do I join the Scholarship Ambassadors?**

The first step is to complete an <u>online application</u>. We will then contact students whom we would like to interview.

### What do we look for in selecting Scholarship Ambassadors?

We are looking for current scholarship recipients who are positive and enthusiastic members of the community. Students who want to engage with current students and share their experiences with the public. Students should be dedicated to assisting the Merit Scholarship Unit in the recruitment and community outreach. Prospective Scholarship Ambassadors are expected to be in good academic standing.

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