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Dear Guidance Staff:

I am writing to announce a new application year for UMBC's premier scholars programs. These competitive programs combine financial awards with special opportunities for advanced research, unique seminars, directed internships, study abroad and more. All scholars programs offer four-year awards at varying levels. Selected scholars will receive awards ranging from \$5,000 to \$22,000 per year.

CWIT Scholars Program (Center for Women in Information Technology) supports high-achieving undergraduates, both men and women, who plan to major in computer science, computer engineering, information systems, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, or another IT-related field.

Humanities Scholars Program seeks talented students who intend to pursue degrees in English, history, philosophy, ancient studies, classical or modern languages, linguistics, or American or Africana studies.

Linehan Artist Scholars Program brings together talented students from the visual and performing arts disciplines: theatre, music, dance, and visual arts.

Sondheim Public Affairs Scholars Program supports students who are interested in developing a fundamental understanding of public policy and pursuing careers in public policy, government service, or the non-profit sector.

Sherman Teacher Education Scholars Program seeks students interested in the teaching profession and in STEM areas of study (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).

Meyerhoff Scholars Program supports students who plan to pursue doctoral study in the sciences or engineering and who are interested in the advancement of minorities in those fields. A separate letter was sent in early September directly from the Meyerhoff office with specific nomination instructions.

I am asking your assistance in identifying students with demonstrated academic achievement who might make excellent candidates for these scholars programs. In addition to a proven academic record, these students should possess a strong desire and commitment to the respective discipline and a genuine interest in participating and contributing to a community of scholars. For your convenience, recommendations may be submitted online at <http://www.umbc.edu/financialaid/scholform>. The Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships will contact the students directly with additional program information and application materials. For

best consideration and to assist us in our planning, please submit recommendations by November 15, 2008.

Please contact the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships with questions you may have regarding any of UMBC's scholarship opportunities at 410-455-3813 or via e-mail at schl_info@umbc.edu. I appreciate your help in making these special opportunities available to your students.

Sincerely,
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President