

CAREERS AND PLACEMENT AT UMBC

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Student Support



Michelle Massey, Assistant Director
International Education Services Office

Michelle has worked in international education at UMBC for over 10 years, and manages all F-1 student services for UMBC



Kacie Lawrence, Associate Director
Career Center

- Oversee the Internships and Employment Team
- Individual full-time/part-time employment and internship search strategy development
- Administration of the University's internship, cooperative education and research practicum courses



David Anguish, International Student Advisor
International Education Services Office

Dave works with Michelle in counseling students on campus. They provide information on CPT, OPT and OPT STEM Ext. Dave is also a Designated School Official who takes care of I-20's.



Rayann Ibasco, International Recruitment Manager
The Graduate School

Responsible for international student recruitment and early stage of admissions as well as on boarding of new students.

OPPORTUNITIES & PLACEMENTS

UMBC is dedicated to help international students to achieve their goal. A part of is to provide them with work opportunities while studying or even after graduation through different options such as on-campus work placement, Curricular Practical Training, Optional Practical Training and OPT STEM extension.

There are two different departments that helps out students in these areas:

- **International Education Services**
- **UMBC Career Center**

Local and International students have a full access to these departments on a daily basis.





GRADUATE STUDENTS-CLASS 2017

91%

Employed or furthering degree

Of those working:

100%

Indicated being in positions directly related to their career goals

59%

Previously interned/worked for that organization while at UMBC

APPLIED LEARNING

89%

89% of graduate degree recipients engaged in applied learning, such as internships, research, service-learning, study abroad, student teaching and leadership positions while at UMBC.

\$70,000-\$74,999*

Overall Salary of Average Graduate Degree Holder at UMBC

\$80,000-\$84,999*

Average Salary of Engineering and IT Graduates at UMBC

GOLD



The UMBC Career Center have partnered with these organizations to sponsor events such as webinars, professional development seminars and recruitment events.

SILVER



BRONZE



HIGH DEMAND OCCUPATIONS IN D.C.

Source: https://does.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/does/page_content/attachments/HOT%2050%20JOBS_final_web.pdf

JOB TITLE	ANNUAL MEDIAN WAGE
Computer and Information Systems Managers	\$151,488
Computer Occupations, All Other	\$115,035
Computer Systems Analysts	\$98,708
Software Developers, Applications	\$100,368
Network and Computer Systems Administrators	\$90,426
Software Developers, Systems Software	\$106,347
Information Security Analysts	\$111,553
Web Developers	\$79,898
Computer Network Architects	\$101,097
Database Administrators	\$103,629

ON CAMPUS JOBS

Students with different background have the chance to work on campus for 20 hours a week. There are various types of jobs available on-campus, and this is not just in the cafeteria. You might be studying in Computer Science and working in Liberal Arts Department.

Most of the job openings can be found at My UMBC or UMBCworks.

Contact our Career Center once you arrive on campus!



Local and Campus Part-Time Job Fair

August 28, 2018 | 2PM
University Center: Ballroom

The Career Center and the Welcome Week Committee are co-sponsoring the Local and On-Campus Jobs Fair. If you are interested in an on-campus job, don't miss this event! Students will meet with department representatives and fill out applications on site. Plan ahead: Bring copies of your resume and class schedule and dress to impress!

HOW DID WE DO?



“I would like to thank the career center in my journey to securing a full-time position at Symantec. I had applied through the UMBCWorks portal.

The nice thing about the career center is that they always update the UMBC works portal and there are many interesting opportunities every day we can apply to for a job. It was nice to know that I could talk at all times with my advisor Beth Rudoy, with any doubts regarding internships, full-time, or general work behavior. Career Fairs which are organized twice a year, provide an excellent platform to interact with employers and hiring managers. Also, giving a chance to go to external events such as the BEYA Career Fair got me many amazing interview opportunities. One of the most useful things on the UMBCWorks page is the GoingGlobal platform. It has helped me to decide where I should apply for a full-time job since I can see who has sponsored the H1B visa in the past.

Therefore, I would like to thank the UMBC Career Center for all their help in this journey.”

- Shantanu Hirlekar

CURRICULAR PRACTICAL TRAINING

This is for students who are in full-time degree seeking programs

- CPT allows students to pursue off-campus internships in their field of academic study
- CPT is available part-time (20 hours per week) and during vacations, full-time
- An offer of employment is required
- Only available after studying 1 full year

- CPT is approved by IES Office at UMBC
- Requires:
 - Job/Internship offer (UMBC's Career Center is a great resource for student's job search)
 - Position must be related to degree program, requires application signed by academic adviser
 - Work Experience must appear on the student's transcript, through free PRAC course enrollment with Career Center

OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING

Provides students with 12 months to pursue full-time employment in their field of academic study

- OPT usually takes place after graduation
- Applications must be submitted to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services for approval, a process that can take 2-3 months
- OPT is not a separate visa category; the student remains in F-1 student visa status
- An offer of employment is **not required**

- OPT is approved by USCIS (government agency), but IES helps prepare application
- Students apply early in last semester at UMBC
 - IES does workshops to prepare students on how and when to apply
 - IES has a complete application package that includes a checklist of documents to prepare, rules and next steps
 - Cost is US\$410

1. Student must be employed 9 months out of the OPT year
2. All work must be related to the degree recently completed
3. Work can be part-time or full-time, paid or unpaid

STEM OPT Extension

- Students who receive science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) degrees can apply for a 24-month extension of their post-completion OPT

SAMPLE PROGRAMS:

- M.S. Computer Science
- M.S. Information Systems
- Health IT
- Data Science
- Applied Mathematics

- STEM OPT is approved by USCIS (government agency) but IES helps prepare application
- Requires an employer enrolled in E-Verify, and willing to complete the required I-983 Training Plan
- Work must be related to degree of study

H1b Visas

- H-1b can only be filed by an employer – student cannot apply for themselves
- Employer covers all expenses to apply
- Filed once a year, on April 1; approved applications start October 1 of the same year
- Lottery system used to fill 85,000 H-1b's each year – advanced degree holders have 20,000 of these just for them!
- In 2017, 199,000 applications were received

FUTURE OF H1b

- No changes are formally happening or scheduled to happen
- Rumored changes include:
 - Favoring individuals with advanced degrees from the US
 - Finding a solution such that the lottery system is no longer needed
 - Making sure H-1b is not victim to fraud, especially in making sure workers receive adequate pay

NEXT STEPS

LOG ON TO MY
UMBC AND ACCEPT
YOUR OFFER

SEND YOUR
FINANCIAL
REQUIREMENTS

REVIEW
YOUR
DRAFT I-20

PAY FOR
SHIPPING AND
CONFIRM THE
DETAILS WITH
THE IES TEAM

APPLY FOR
YOUR F1
VISA

TAKE NOTE:

- Before going to your visa appointment, make sure that you know a lot about your program and UMBC. You also need to have a clear goal!
- Be confident! You know what you want in life more than anyone else!
- Once you got your visa, pack your bags and we'll see you here!

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Registration Open: June 1st**
- **New Student Orientation: August 17th**
- **International Student Orientation: August 28**
- **First Day of Classes: August 29**

WE ARE EXCITED FOR YOU
TO BE A PART OF THE
#RETRIEVERNATION

LET'S CONNECT!



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