Congratulations on your admission to UMBC! We’re excited to welcome you to our community of inquiring minds and to work with you to achieve your academic and personal goals. UMBC is a world-ranked honors university with a high regard for academic rigor and the success and well-being of our students. Our innovative programs are designed to give students in-class learning and research opportunities that prepare them for their professional and academic endeavors after graduation. At UMBC you’ll join motivated students like Anna Gifty Opoku-Agyeman and Olusayo Adeleye who co-created the first U.S. conference for black women economists. We encourage students to develop their academic and research interests and apply them in real world settings.
Our goal is to foster an environment where every student is empowered to learn; and where academic research and international collaboration are a top priority. That’s why we’re consistently ranked among the best universities nationally and globally. In 2018 and 2019, we earned the following distinctions:

- **Top 10 Universities for teaching and innovation**
- **Top 3.5 Percent of universities world wide**
- **UMBC Graduate programs among best in nation**
- **Top destination for international students**

Do you have questions about the I-20 process? Or about being an international student at UMBC? The IES Office will host a webinar on April 17th for all admitted students. Please look out for our invitation!

For information about the I-20 Process: [F-1 Visa Process](#)

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1. Setting up your myUMBC with your campus ID and birth date at: [https://webadmin.umbc.edu](https://webadmin.umbc.edu)
2. Once logged into [my.umbc.edu](http://my.umbc.edu), there will be a notification that asks you to accept/decline admission.

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