

# *Retriever Roadmap*

**HELPING YOUR STUDENT NAVIGATE  
AN HONORS UNIVERSITY**

**DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE  
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# Welcome

# SESSION OVERVIEW

- Navigate the student transition process into and through UMBC
  - Understand university expectations for new students
  - Identify resources available for student success
  - Explore the advising process, academic transition opportunities, and key offices that support success in and out of the classroom
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# BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND



**ACADEMIC SUCCESS**



**ENGAGEMENT**



**GRADUATION**



Skills

# NEEDED FOR SUCCESS

Which of these are strengths?

Which of these are works in progress?

Other skills that come to mind?

ORGANIZATION

INITIATIVE

AUTONOMY

TIME MANAGEMENT

MOTIVATION

RESILIENCE





# CAMPUS RESOURCES FOR SUCCESS

Academic Advising  
Academic Transition Courses  
Academic Support Resources  
Campus Engagement  
High Impact Experiences



# Academic ADVISING

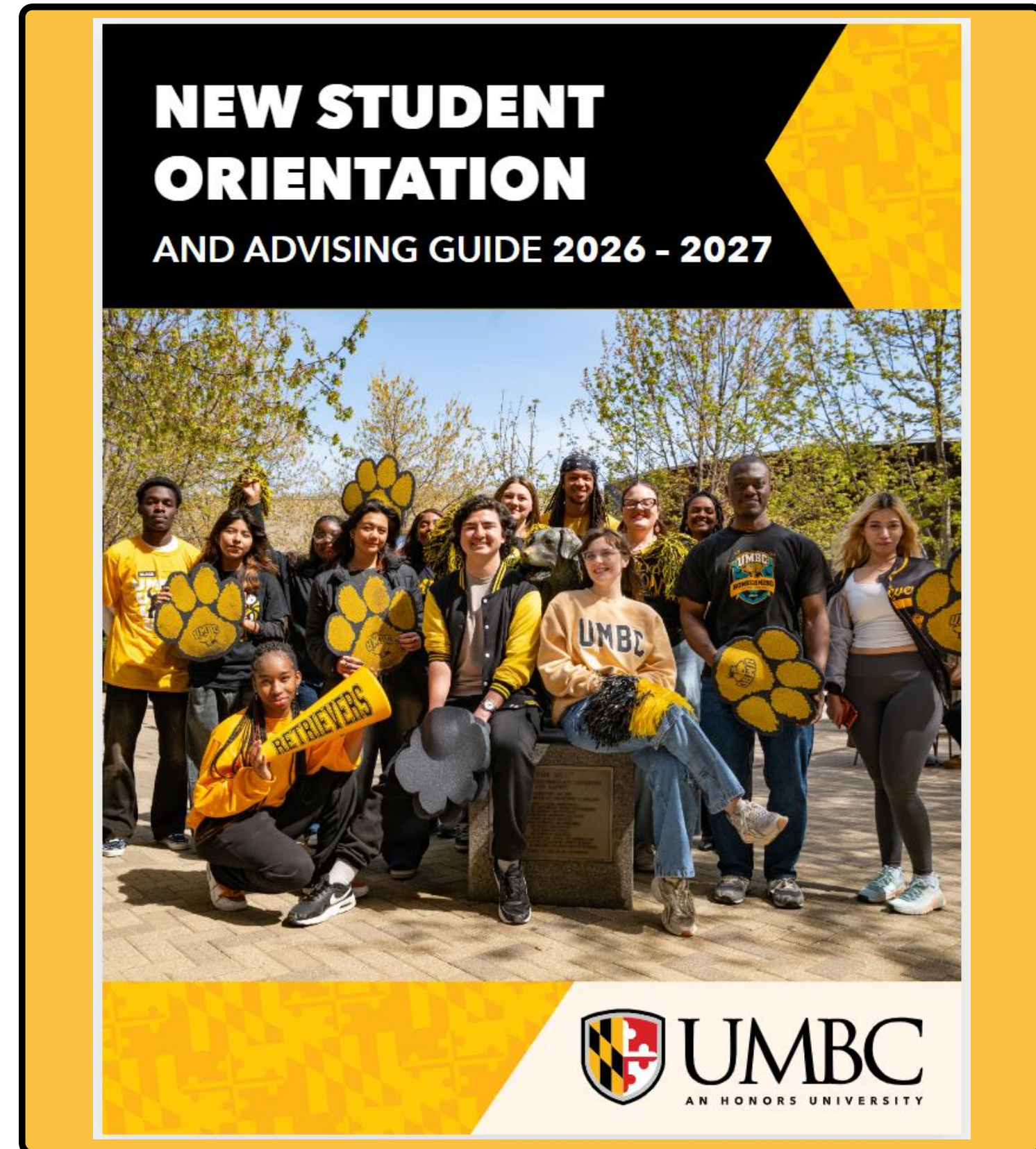
Required at UMBC every semester

Understanding the Advising Relationship

Starts at Orientation

Professional Advisors + Faculty Advisors  
(students with declared majors)

Office for Academic & Pre-Professional Advising  
(students still exploring majors and/or pre-professional programs)





# ACADEMIC TRANSITION COURSES

| FYS                                                                               | UNIV 101                                                                            | UNIV301                                                                             |
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| <b>FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR</b><br><b>FRESHMEN &amp; TRANSFERS</b>                      | <b>INTRO TO THE UNIVERSITY</b><br><b>FOR FRESHMEN</b>                               | <b>INTRO TO THE UNIVERSITY</b><br><b>FOR TRANSFERS</b>                              |
| 3-Credit                                                                          | 2-Credit                                                                            | 2-Credit                                                                            |
| Gen Ed Program (GEP) Designation                                                  | Freshmen Transition Course                                                          | Transfer Transition Course                                                          |
| Small/Interactive Classroom                                                       | Small/Interactive Classroom                                                         | Small/Interactive Class                                                             |
| Faculty Led                                                                       | Instructor/Teaching Assistant Led                                                   | Instructor/Teaching Assistant Led                                                   |





# ACADEMIC SUPPORT RESOURCES

Academic Success Center – Located in the Library

- Tutoring (appointment and drop-in)
- Supplemental Instruction (SI PASS)
- Academic Advocacy and Peer Advocacy
- Academic Skills Meetings
- Early Academic Alerts

Additional Resources

- Student Disability Services (SDS)
- Office Hours
- Study Groups
- Departmental Tutoring

**Which resources will your student need the MOST?**



Campus

# ENGAGEMENT

Welcome, Retrievers

Clubs & Orgs & Leadership Opportunities

Department Forums & Seminars

Residential/Commuter Connections

Retriever Integrated Health

Retriever Activity Center (RAC)

Athletics Events

Club/Intramural Sports

**Try Something New - Commit to 2-3 Opportunities**



# *High Impact* **EXPERIENCES**

Career Center

Shriver Center

Education Abroad

Undergraduate Research & Prestigious Scholarships

On Campus Employment

82% of UMBC Graduates Engage in Applied Learning



**What will being engaged on campus look like for your student??**



# The UMBC Community

100+

Majors & Programs

17:1

Student to Faculty Ratio

250+

Student Organizations

60

Years Old

**Mascot:** Chesapeake Bay Retriever

**Name:** True Grit

**School Colors:** Black & Gold



We are all here to help and we want to each one of your students succeed at UMBC!

Encourage students to show up, check their email, ask questions, be responsible (for successes and struggles), and remind them just how many people (and one great doggo) are here to help them!

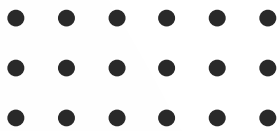
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# Dawg Days: Service



Note: July 7th Parent Session only

**Your student will receive**

- Transition Course
- Campus Engagement
- High Impact Experience

**All in one Experience**

Dates

Specialized Experience

Goal

Service Sites

**July 7-8TH**

Advising July 9th

**Service-based  
experience  
Pre-advising for fall  
semester  
Spring Work-  
Integrated learning**

**Student will  
connect, build  
community, and  
transition to  
university life  
before the fall  
semester.**

- **Animal Advocacy**
- **Food insecurity**
- **Community  
sustainability**
- **Art Access equity,**
- **Financial Literacy**