

TRANSFER TO UMD for FALL ENROLLMENT Student Type	Early Action Priority Deadline	Decision Sent	Regular Deadline	Regular Decision Sent
U.S. and International Transfer	March 1	By Late April	June 1	By Mid-July
U.S. citizens and International Transfer applying to UMD at Shady Grove only	June 1	Rolling basis	---	---
TRANSFER TO UMD for SPRING ENROLLMENT Student Type	Early Action Priority Deadline	Decision Release	Regular Deadline	Regular Decision Sent
International Transfer	Aug. 1	By Late Oct.	Must apply by Aug. 1	---
U.S. Transfer	Aug. 1	By Late Oct.	Nov. 15	By Mid-Dec.
U.S. citizens applying to UMD at Shady Grove	Nov. 15	Rolling basis	---	---
International students applying to UMD Shady Grove	Aug. 1	Rolling basis	---	---

See the UMD Admissions Website for up-to-date information: <https://admissions.umd.edu/apply/application-deadlines>
Ideally you will submit your completed application & transcript(s) at least 5 days BEFORE the stated deadline.

WHICH APPLICATION? Transfer students use the [ApplyWeb Application](#) for both **UMD College Park Campus** and/or the **Shady Grove Campus**. You must complete the **ApplyWeb Transfer Application for Admission** even if you are in MTAP.

Early Action Deadline Note from Montgomery College: UMD Main Campus makes more admissions decisions for students who apply by the **Transfer Early Action Deadline of March 1 for Fall, or August 1st for Spring**.
Transfer spaces may be limited if applying by the Regular deadlines of June 1 for Fall or Nov. 15 for Spring.

If applying after March 1 or August 1, submit applications/documents **before the Regular Deadline of June 1st or Nov. 15th** to ensure that you have time to provide any missing information.

SENDING TRANSCRIPTS & Other Admissions Documents – all materials MUST BE RECEIVED BY UMD BY THE EARLY ACTION DEADLINE or Regular Deadline = not post-marked by deadlines but entered in your UMD file.

From UMD Apply: "It may take up to two weeks for recently submitted materials to be listed as received on your checklist and **it is the applicant's responsibility to confirm receipt of all application materials**.
Visit the [Submitting Documents](#) page to learn how you can submit the items for a completed application."

- Your Official MC Transcript - YOU must make a request through MyMC to have your official MC transcript sent to UMD; MC does not send it until YOU make the request in MyMC (even if you are in MTAP).**

MC sends transcripts electronically by Parchment within one business day of your request. Do not send transcripts by US Mail as they take longer to process. **TO SEND YOUR MC TRANSCRIPT, go to MyMC, Student Services, click Request a Transcript** and follow directions to **send an Electronic Official Transcript**, \$10 fee using Parchment. If applying to UMD at **Shady Grove**, still send your transcript to **UMD College Park, not USG**.

- Transcripts from other colleges attended – you must submit official transcripts from any other colleges you have attended. Even if your credits from another school appear on your MC transcript, *you must still contact other colleges attended directly to request that an official transcript be sent to UMD by the application deadline.***

COUNT YOUR CREDITS. **If you have less than 30 credits earned in college courses showing as completed with final grades on your MC transcript at the time that you apply, you must send your high school transcript to UMD to make your application complete.** Your college grades may weigh more than your high school grades in the decision to admit; a high school transcript is needed to make your application complete. ***EVEN if you are in MTAP, or if your 30 credits include AP/IB credits, you must ask your high school to send an official transcript to UMD when you apply.*** If you are completing the minimum 30 credits in the semester that you are applying - for example, if you are applying by March 1st and finishing 30 credits at the end of the current Spring semester, you must submit your high school transcript by the transfer application deadline.

- To request high school transcripts:** contact the Registrar of your high school directly.

OTHER DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO APPLY:

UMD requires test score reports to be sent directly from **Advanced Placement AP tests/IB International Baccalaureate tests/CLEP Tests or International Credits** even if the credits were accepted at MC, and *even if the scores do not meet [UMD's minimum score requirements](#)*. If "CR" notations are on your MC transcript, UMD needs to know where credit is from.

1. Request an official copy of **Advanced Placement AP Scores** from www.collegeboard.org It can take up to two weeks for your AP score report to arrive – **request early!**
- 2 **IB International Baccalaureate**: <https://ibo.org/programmes/diploma-programme/assessment-and-exams/requesting-transcripts/> - request early!
- 3 **Credit from International Colleges & Universities**—See the **UMD directions for International Transfer Students** if you have college credits completed at a college or university outside of the United States: <https://admissions.umd.edu/apply/checklist/international-checklist> Note: **UMD will accept International Credit Evaluations from only two companies: Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE) or Josef Silny & Associates (JS&A)** **UMD does not accept WES or AACRAO evaluations**; if you used WES or AACRAO, you still need to have your credits evaluated by ECE or JS&A.
- 4 Military credit for HLTH & PE and any other military courses—send JST to UMD Undergraduate Admissions.

PROOF OF ENGLISH PROFICIENCY from the UMD Link <https://admissions.umd.edu/apply/english-language-proficiency>

If English is not your first language—regardless of whether you are a US Citizen, Permanent Resident or International Student - please read through the Proof of English Language Proficiency information. You may be required to submit an official score report from a TOEFL **Test of English as a Foreign Language**— (about \$180), or the **International English Language Testing System (IELTS)**- cost \$215, or **DUOLINGO English Language Test** cost \$59 <https://englishtest.duolingo.com/>. Send scores to UMD Office of Undergraduate Admissions by the transfer application deadline.

Other methods to provide Proof of English Proficiency: "While a passing English proficiency test score is the only absolute way a student can meet the UMD English language proficiency requirement, we may consider waiving the English proficiency test requirement if a student has completed one of the following:"

- Four years at a U.S. high school or U.S. accredited high school without English as a Second Language (ESL, ESOL, ELL)
- Associate, bachelor's or master's degree earned from a regionally accredited U.S. institution
- Completed 55+ semester credits from a regionally accredited U.S. institution with coursework equivalent to English Compositions 1 and 2.
- English is your first language; you hold a citizenship and/or you have a completed high school or university degree earned from one of the following countries or territories:

Antigua	Ghana	South Africa
Australia Bahamas	Grenada	St. Lucia
Barbados	Guyana	St. Vincent
Belize	Ireland	Swaziland
Bermuda	Jamaica	Tanzania
British Virgin Islands	Kenya	Trinidad and Tobago
Canada ¹	Montserrat	Turks and Caicos Islands
Cayman Islands	Namibia	Uganda
Dominica	New Zealand	United Kingdom
The Gambia	Nigeria	Zambia
	Singapore	Zimbabwe

1. English proficiency test is required for the French system only.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER STUDENT CHECKLIST: Please see the UMD Admissions Website for specific transfer application requirements for International Students – includes directions for requesting an I-20 and all deadlines: <https://admissions.umd.edu/apply/checklist/international-checklist>

All About MTAP – the **Maryland Transfer Advantage Program** [go.umd.edu.mtap](https://go.umd.edu/mtap)

The MTAP Guarantee of Admission to UMD occurs *after* you:

1. **Enroll in MTAP** at least **one full semester before the semester that you will apply for Transfer Admission**. Enroll in MTAP between Sept. 20– Nov. 15 or April 20– June 1. You cannot enroll in MTAP and also apply to transfer to UMD in the same semester. You may enroll in MTAP even if your GPA is less than a 3.0 and even with no credits completed if you are in your early semesters at MC; your *GPA must be a 3.0 later when applying for transfer admission to UMD*.
2. You must complete at least 15 credits earned at MC **after you graduate from high school**. The MTAP Guarantee of Admission requires 30 credits showing as completed on your college transcript which must include completion of a freshman English (MC's ENGL 102 or ENGL 103) and a college-level math course (MATH 117 or higher, depends on major). Your 30 credits cannot include AP/IB credits. See go.umd.edu/45FigVa for all MTAP FAQ's.
3. You need a **minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 calculated by grades earned at all previously attended colleges** for the admission benefit of the MTAP program. All previous colleges attended must be reported when you apply to MTAP; have other colleges you have attended send an official transcript of your grades to UMD Admissions for an MTAP GPA. MTAP does not guarantee admission to **Limited Enrollment Programs** (LEP's) which have additional requirements, see below.

After you enroll in MTAP, you must later submit an ApplyWeb Application for Transfer Admission by an Early Action Deadline of Aug. 1 for a Spring transfer or March 1 for a Fall transfer.

What if you are in MTAP and are in the process of finishing 30 credits when you apply by the EARLY ACTION

Deadline? Example: If you have 14 credits completed on your MC transcript and apply by March 1 for Fall while taking 16 credits in Spring to complete the needed 30 credits, you may apply to UMD, but you are not guaranteed admission under MTAP. You will need to send a final copy of your transcript at the end of the semester when grades are posted. If you are not accepted by UMD, you may reapply by the next Early Action Deadline to qualify under MTAP with 30 credits & other criteria finished. **The MTAP GUARANTEE of admission applies only to students who have all 30 credits showing as completed on a transcript at the time of application by an EARLY ACTION Deadline of March 1/Aug 1.**

LIMITED ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS www.lep.umd.edu LEP's have additional competitive requirements. MTAP does not guarantee Admission to LEP majors

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| • Business | • Criminology & Criminal Justice |
| • Biological Sciences | • Engineering |
| • Biochemistry | • Environmental Science — Biodiversity and Conservation Biology |
| • Chemistry (BS) | • Immersive Media Design- Computing (prior to Fall 2024) |
| • Chemistry (BA) | • Immersive Media Design- Computing (Fall 2024 and later) |
| • Communication | • Immersive Media Design- Emerging Creatives (BA) |
| • Computer Science (prior to Fall 2024) | • Neuroscience |
| • Computer Science (for students who are new to MC in Fall 2024 and later) | • Psychology |
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Many LEP decisions are made AFTER a student applies for admission, so ALL MC STUDENTS are encouraged to apply for MTAP, regardless of major (LEP or not). If you apply with any Gateway Requirements in progress, ex. you are completing a Gateway course(s) and/or finishing the 45 credits needed for an LEP Admissions Review, then you will be admitted to UMD as a Letters & Sciences student first and you will be reviewed again at the end of the semester (in mid-June for Fall or mid-January for Spring) to see if LEP requirements are met..

Other Avenues to Transfer Acceptance at UMD

Overall combined GPA of 3.0: UMD may admit transfer students with a 3.0 GPA to many majors whether in MTAP or not, including LEP's (the exception is Business at Main Campus which usually looks for above a 3.0 – unofficial observation for Smith Main Campus is that a GPA above a 3.0 with A's and B's in Business Gateway courses is competitive), as long as a transfer student applies by an EARLY ACTION Deadline w/ at least 30 credits or more finished including ENGL 102/3 and a College- level math. If you have AP credits for ENGL/MATH, you need to have 30 credits in other courses taken in college to meet transfer requirements. Other LEP majors shown above look for a 3.0 GPA for admission. lep.umd.edu

Admission with an AA or AS Degree if the Overall GPA is between a 2.0 – 3.0: If your overall GPA is below a 3.0 (from MC & other colleges attended), another option is to **complete an AA or AS degree at MC with at least a 2.0 combined overall GPA from all colleges attended**. UMD may admit students who have graduated with an AA or AS into Non-LEP majors but only **if the degree is marked as completed, not in progress, on the MC transcript when applying by an EARLY ACTION Deadline of March 1 or Aug. 1**. Meet with a UMD Pretransfer Advisor to discuss! go.umd.edu/MC2UMD

WRITING THE ESSAY *MC Advice:* Most students find the essay takes the longest to complete. Get a second opinion before you submit! Ask for help with your rough draft from the MC Writing Center or at the very least, have someone else read it over. [MC Writing Center Locations](#) Also upload the optional Resume of Activities in addition to the Essay if applying to LEP's.

Recommendations: UMD allows transfer students to submit a letter of recommendation; however, **a letter is not required for transfer students for any major**. Consider sending a letter of recommendation from a professor if your GPA is below a 3.0.

Who should write a recommendation? Professors who know you well and can describe your work habits in the classroom are best. College counselors are less effective recommenders at the college-level unless you have also had them as classroom professors or if they have detailed knowledge about your situation. **GIVE recommenders at least 2 weeks' notice for a Letter request**; also provide a list of your college activities or a resume, your intended major & career goals so that your recommender can be more specific in the letter.

ApplyWeb Application Frequently Asked Questions:

Must I fill in all MC courses taken on the Application? No – just list those from the most recent semester in progress or those completed in your last semester at MC. Also, there is no need to fill in high school courses in the h.s. info. section.

See other ApplyWeb FAQ's here: www.admissions.umd.edu/apply/application-faq/transfer-application-faq

COMPLETING AN ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE: UMD prefers that students finish an AA, AS or AAT degree if possible before transfer or after transfer through a "Reverse Transfer" option. [Apply for MC Graduation info here](#).

Finishing the AA/AS/AAT shows that the **MC General Education Program requirements have been completed, and students will then need to take fewer UMD lower-level Gen Ed courses at UMD after transfer.**

If you cannot finish an AA, AS or AAT but have finished all MC Gen Ed Requirements, ask MC Admissions for the [General Education Program Evaluation](#) note to be added to your transcript to show UMD that your MC General Education Program course work has been finished. Make this request at the end of the semester when all Gen Ed courses required in an AA or AS degree are completed with final grades. In addition, ask an advisor about finishing your degree with a Reverse Transfer.

UMD Transfer Application Fee: The fee to apply to UMD is \$80. There is an Application Fee Waiver process for students based on financial need and one for students who are veterans and active members of the US Armed Forces. As you complete the ApplyWeb application, you will answer questions to activate a Fee Waiver Code.

SUBMIT YOUR FAFSA by Jan 1 each year - UMD Office of Financial Aid: <https://financialaid.umd.edu/>

- Complete the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA)
 - Each year, submit the FAFSA to UMD by the EARLY ACTION Financial Aid deadline [shown on the UMD Page](#).
 - UMD's school code is **002103**.
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UMD Bachelor's Degrees offered at the Universities at Shady Grove, Rockville MD Campus:

[B.A. in Communication](#)

[B.A. in Criminology & Criminal Justice \(minor also available\)](#)

[B.S. in Accounting](#)

[B.S. in Biocomputational Engineering](#)

[B.S. in Biological Sciences](#)

[B.S. in Cyber-Physical Systems Engineering](#)

[B.S. in Mechatronics Engineering](#)

[B.S. in Fermentation Science](#)

[B.S. in Information Science \(minor also available\)](#)

[B.S. in Management](#)

[B.S. in Marketing](#)

Other UMD Transfer Student Links:

- See [Pro-Tips for Completing UMD Transfer Applications](#) from UMD Pre-Transfer Advisors
- Make Appointments with UMD Pre-Transfer Advisors based at MC: go.umd.edu/MC2UMD
- UMD Four Year Plans for Specific Majors: 4yearplans.umd.edu/
- UMD Transfer Credit Services - see how MC courses will transfer to UMD <https://app.transfercredit.umd.edu/>
- [MC – UMD AP Credit Acceptance Comparison Chart](#)
- Cost of Attendance: <https://financialaid.umd.edu/resources-policies/cost-attendance>
- UMD Transfer Scholarships: admissions.umd.edu/finance/transfer-merit-scholarships
- Main Campus Housing Transfer Students: On Campus <https://reslife.umd.edu/> Off Campus Housing [Page](#)
- Visit UMD: www.admissions.umd.edu/#card-7-visit
- APPLY TO UMD! <https://admissions.umd.edu/apply>