Preparing Your Terp for the Smith Transfer Application

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Admission Process
Majors

Accounting
Finance
Information Systems
International Business Management
Marketing
Operations Management & Business Analytics
Supply Chain Management

FEARLESS IDEAS
Application Process

APPLICATION TO THE SMITH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS IS A HIGHLY COMPETITIVE PROCESS

Students will submit application materials online by March 15th for fall admission, or October 15th for spring admission.

Students will be assessed for eligibility status; if eligible, students will be reviewed.

Internal candidates apply at www.lep.umd.edu
Application Process

Holistic Review Process

Academic Record
- Prerequisite Courses
- GPA

Resume Equivalent (optional)
- Jobs/Internships
- Activities/Leadership

Statement of Purpose (optional)
- Max. 5,000 characters

Letters of Recommendation (optional)
- Max 3 recommendations
- Submit via email to LEP@umd.edu

For more information:
http://www.admissions.umd.edu

FEARLESS IDEAS
Eligibility for Review

Completion of 45 credits by the conclusion of the semester

Completion of gateway requirements within repeat policy

**Requirement 1:** BMGT 220: Accounting I

**Requirement 2:** BMGT 230 or 231: Business Statistics (or equivalent*)

**Requirement 3:** MATH 120 (formerly 220), 130, or 140: Calculus I

Students must earn a C- or better in all gateway requirements

A 3.0 GPA in all college coursework

Students can only apply once

*Check testudo.umd.edu for equivalent in Credit only granted for section

*UMD Transfer Course Database: [https://ntst.umd.edu/tce/](https://ntst.umd.edu/tce/)

*Check with current advisor on course equivalents
Application Timeline

**Application opens**
Opens about two weeks into semester

**Before the application opens, students should:**
1. Attend Smith Transfer Information Session
2. Complete gateway courses
3. Ask for recommendations at least a month before deadline

**Student submits their application before the deadline!**

**Admissions review**
If students are eligible for immediate review, they should have a decision within a month
If students are eligible for review at end of semester, they will find out decision about a month after final grades are posted
Smith Transfer Information Sessions

Students can learn more about majors, special programs, clubs, career services, & more details surrounding the transfer application.

Encourage your student to register for more information:

go.umd.edu/SmithTransfer
Debunk Myths for your Terp

The following are all common **myths** about Smith:

• It is better to apply in the X semester for admission to Smith than Y semester

• My student should not transfer in any of the gateway courses because it looks like they took the easy way out

• Transfer Coursework does not count in my student’s GPA when applying to the business school

• My student has a better chance of getting in if they apply to XYZ major

• It is easier to get in if my student waits until all their gateway courses are completed before applying

• MATH140 looks better on my student’s transcript than MATH120/130
Opportunities & Resources For Your Terp
Help Your Terp Access Resources

- These opportunities provide a great way to:
  - Strengthen your student’s application to the Smith School
  - Explore the various disciplines within business to ensure it’s the right major
  - Explore other passions and interests which can assist students in parallel planning
Smith Clubs & Organizations

Smith Undergraduate Student Association

- 28 Clubs and organizations
- Range from areas of specialization to affinity-based groups

Learn more at susaumd.com
Campus Clubs

Terrapin Development & Consulting
Public Relations Student Society of America
Operation Business
AIESEC at Maryland
10X Entrepreneurship Club

Learn more at orgsync.umd.edu
Campus Resources

Visit these **FREE** Campus Services:
Individual appointments for Career Counseling at the Counseling Center (*current UMD students*)

Search for Internship/Externship/Part-time employment opportunities at the University Career Center (*current UMD students*)

Visit

www.careercenter.umd.edu

www.transferadvising.umd.edu

for more information
Parallel Planning

• A Parallel Plan can help students discover how their interests, values, and transferable skills can be related to other majors and careers.
• Helps students develop broader interests and explore different academic backgrounds
• Not necessarily a “back up plan”
• Many entry level business jobs do not require a specific degree in business.
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Smith Business Minors

Innovation & Entrepreneurship

General Business

Business Analytics

http://go.umd.edu/businessminors
Smith School at Shady Grove

Fall Start Only

Three Majors available:
Accounting
Management
Marketing

If your student is interested in this program, they should contact applysmith@rhsmith.umd.edu and we will connect them with the director of the program to ensure it’s a good fit.
How Families Can Assist Their Students
How families can help

– Listen to your student
– Ask **questions** that promote focus and self-responsibility
  - Why is your student passionate about business?
  - What motivates your student?
– Provide **support** and **resources**
Campus Resources

For information on the application process

– http://www.lep.umd.edu
– Smith specific: go.umd.edu/SmithTransfer

For application material coaching

– Business Exploration Series (LTSC only)
– Career Center
– Writing Center
Supporting your Terp through Room Selection

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