



The Universities  
AT SHADY GROVE

# Learn. Lead. Succeed.

IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY





# How USG Works

At the Universities at Shady Grove (USG), nine Maryland universities offer approximately 80 of their most in-demand degree programs on one convenient campus in the heart of Montgomery County. Apply to and earn your bachelor's degree from the university offering your major, but save time and money by taking your classes close to work or home.

The USG campus is uniquely designed to support your academic and career goals — with an array of student support services, smaller class sizes, and a personalized learning environment, you'll have everything you need to succeed.

Students attending programs at USG often take advantage of the following benefits on campus:

- On-site academic advising
- Tutoring, writing support, student skills workshops, and disability support
- Financial aid workshops and scholarship support
- Career coaching and internship/job placement
- Smart classrooms, computer labs, group study spaces, a library, cafe, fitness center and bookstore
- Vibrant student life, leadership opportunities, professional groups, volunteer activities and social events

# Transferring Made Easy

All undergraduate students at USG are transfer students who have completed approximately 60 credits at another institution. Students are taught by the same professors, take the same courses, and have the same curriculum as students enrolled in a program at their home university. Follow these three easy steps to get started earning your degree and advancing your career.



## 1. SELECT

Find your desired degree program offered at USG by one of our nine partner universities.



## 2. APPLY

Follow the admission requirements of the university offering your program and select the Shady Grove location — this is where you will attend your classes.



## 3. ACHIEVE

Benefit from USG's full array of student and academic services to help you succeed. You'll graduate with a degree from your home university.



## GET CONNECTED

Visit [shadygrove.umd.edu](http://shadygrove.umd.edu) or email [shadygrove@umd.edu](mailto:shadygrove@umd.edu).

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# An Affordable Option

Students who choose to complete their degree at USG can take advantage of several financial benefits:

## Savings on total cost of 4-year degree

All undergraduate coursework begins at the junior level. By following the "2+2" pathway – attending a community college and then transferring to a program at USG – you can save substantially on the overall cost of a 4-year degree.

## Reduced living expenses

You can enjoy the financial benefits of staying close to home and maintaining current employment.

## More scholarship opportunities

In addition to scholarships that may be available from your home university, USG annually awards over 500 scholarships accessible only to students who complete their degree on the USG campus.



### Farah Shirazi

**B.S. Social Work and Psychology**  
UMBC

" At USG, my classes are smaller which enables me to have closer connections with my colleagues. The convenient location of USG has also given me the opportunity to continue my education and achieve my career goals while juggling my responsibilities."



### Jonathan Vargas

**B.S. Biological Sciences**  
University of Maryland, College Park

" During my senior year of high school, I learned that the University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP) at USG offered a biological sciences program at USG. I was very excited about this, because this meant I could stay home and have a shorter commute which saves me money."



### Juanita Benavides-Alcala

**B.S. Elementary Education/ Special Education**  
Towson University

" I find new things to fall in love with at USG everyday. From my classes, to student life, to leadership opportunities, there is always something to look forward to during the week."

# USG at a Glance



## 80

undergraduate, graduate and certificate programs are offered at USG



## 500+

scholarships are awarded to students annually, equaling 52% of applications received



## 88%

of graduates are working in the region or attending graduate school in their intended field



## 12,000+

students have earned degrees from programs offered at USG since its inception in 2000



## \$53,000\*

can be saved by completing the 2+2 community college to USG pathway versus a 4-year university

\*Cost comparison is based on the average tuition, fees, and room and board at five Maryland public universities.



## 75%

of students who transfer to USG from community colleges graduate in four years, as compared to 57% for the Maryland state-wide average



## 4,000

students attend programs offered at USG and future capacity is expected to grow to 7,500



## 80%

of undergraduate students transfer from a community college



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