The College of Arts and Humanities embraces a heterogeneous group of disciplines that study human experience, thought, expression and creativity. All value the development of critical thinking, fluent expression in writing and speech, sensitivity to ethical and aesthetic issues, and a complex understanding of history and culture. Departments and programs in Arts and Humanities prize vigorous intellectual debate in a diverse community. While they have strong individual identities, they are also involved in interdisciplinary studies. Thus students will find, for example, courses in the Department of English that approach literature in its historical contexts, courses in the Department of History that adopt feminist perspectives, courses in the Department of Art History and Archaeology that study African politics, and so on.

Further examples of the special opportunities available to students in this richly variegated college include an exceptional visual resource center in Art History and Archaeology, the English Department’s computer-based writing classroom, and the School of Languages, Literatures, and Culture’s Foreign Language Media Lab. Additionally, students may add an international experience to their undergraduate education by participating in an ARHU-sponsored study abroad program in Argentina, Australia, Austria, Cuba, Ecuador, France, Greece, Italy, Mexico, Morocco, Spain, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom. The educational vistas open to students in the School of Music and the School of Theatre, Dance, and Performance Studies are enhanced enormously by the Clarice Smith Center for the Performing Arts, which houses those departments. Students may also participate in one of the college’s five living-learning programs: Honors Humanities, College Park Scholars-Arts, Design Cultures & Creativity, Jiménez-Porter Writers’ House, and Language House.

**Admission Requirements**

Freshmen and transfer students interested in applying for admission should refer to the general university admissions information provided in the catalog. Admission to the college’s School of Music is a two-step process: undergraduate applicants must apply to both the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and to the School of Music. Visit music.umd.edu (http://music.umd.edu) for information. Further, students wishing to major in creative or performing arts are encouraged to seek training in the skills associated with such an area prior to matriculation. Applicants to these programs may be required to audition or submit a portfolio as a part of the admission requirements. For more information about the college’s academic programs, please contact arhu-admit@umd.edu or 301-405-2108.

**DEPARTMENTS**

**Schools, Departments, and Units**

- American Studies (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/american-studies/)
- Arabic Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/arabic-studies/arabic-studies-major/)
- Art History Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/art-history-archaeology/art-history-major/)
- Central European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/history/central-european-russian-eurasian-studies-major/)
- Chinese Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/chinese/chinese-major/)
- Cinema and Media Studies Major (ENGL) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/cinema-media-studies-major/)
- Cinema and Media Studies Major (SLLC) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-
humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/cinema-media-studies-major/

- Classical Languages and Literatures Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/classical-languages-literature/classics-major/)
- Communication Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/communication/communication-major/)
- Dance Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/theatre-dance-performance-studies/dance-major/)
- English Language and Literature Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/english-major/)
- French Language and Literature Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/french-language-literature/french-major/)
- German Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/germanic-studies/german-studies-major/)
- History Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/history/history-major/)
- Immersive Media Design Major (ARTT) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/art/immersive-media-design-major/)
- Italian Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/italian-studies/italian-studies-major/)
- Japanese Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/japanese/japanese-major/)
- Jewish Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/jewish-studies-major/)
- Linguistics Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/linguistics/linguistics-major/)
- Music Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/music/music-major/)
- Persian Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/persian-studies/persian-studies-major/)
- Philosophy Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/philosophy/philosophy-major/)
- Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/philosophy-politics-economics-major/)
- Religions of the Ancient Middle East Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/religions-ancient-middle-east-major/)
- Romance Languages Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/romance-languages/romance-languages-major/)
- Russian Language and Literature Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/russian-language-literature/russian-language-literature-major/)
- Spanish Language, Literatures, and Culture Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/spanish-language-literatures-culture/spanish-language-literatures-culture-major/)
- Studio Art Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/art/art-major/)
- Theatre Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/theatre-dance-performance-studies/theatre-major/)
- Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Major (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/women-gender-sexuality-studies/womens-gender-sexuality-studies-major/)

### Minors

- Arabic Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/arabic-studies/arabic-minor/)
- Archaeology Minor (ARTH) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/art-history-archaeology/archaeology-minor/)
- Archaeology Minor (CLAS) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/classical-languages-literature/archaeology-minor/)
- Art History Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/art-history-archaeology/art-history-minor/)
- Arts Leadership Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/theatre-dance-performance-studies/arts-leadership-minor/)
- Black Women's Studies Minor (ARHU) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/women-gender-sexuality-studies/black-womens-studies-minor/)
- Chinese Language Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/chinese/chinese-language-minor/)
- Classical Mythology Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/classical-languages-literature/classical-mythology-minor/)
- Creative Placemaking Minor (ARHU) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/creative-placemaking-minor/)
- Creative Writing Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/creative-writing-minor/)
- Digital Storytelling and Poetics Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/digital-storytelling-poetics-minor/)
- French Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/french-language-literature/french-studies-minor/)
- German Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/germanic-studies/german-studies-minor/)
- Greek Language and Culture Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-
• Hebrew Studies Minor (JWST) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/hebrew-studies-minor/)
• Hebrew Studies Minor (SLLC) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/hebrew-minor/)
• History Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/history/history-minor/)
• Humanities, Health and Medicine Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/humanities-health-medicine-minor/)
• Israel Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/israel-studies-minor/)
• Italian Language and Culture Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/italian-studies/italian-language-culture-minor/)
• Japanese Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/japanese/japanese-minor/)
• Jewish Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/jewish-studies-minor/)
• Korean Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/korean-studies-minor/)
• Latin American and Caribbean Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/latin-american-studies-minor/)
• Latin Language and Literature Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/classical-languages-litterature/latin-language-literature-minor/)
• LGBTQ Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/women-gender-sexuality-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies-minor/)
• Linguistics Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/linguistics/linguistics-minor/)
• Middle East Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/history/middle-eastern-studies-minor/)
• Music and Culture Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/music/music-culture-minor/)
• Music Performance Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/music/music-performance-minor/)
• Persian Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/persian-studies/persian-studies-minor/)
• Philosophy Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/philosophy/philosophy-minor/)
• Portuguese Language, Literature, and Culture Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/portuguese-language-literature-culture-minor/)
• Professional Writing Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/professional-writing-minor/)
• Religious Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/jewish-studies/religious-studies-minor/)
• Rhetoric Minor (COMM) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/communication/rhetoric-minor/)
• Rhetoric Minor (ENGL) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/english-language-literature/rhetoric-minor/)
• Russian Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/russian-language-literature/russian-studies-minor/)
• Spanish Minor 1: Literature, Linguistics, and Culture (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/spanish-language-literatures-culture/spanish-literature-linguistics-culture-minor/)
• Spanish Minor 2: Language, Culture, and Professional Contexts (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/spanish-language-literatures-culture/spanish-language-culture-professional-minor/)
• Spanish Minor 3: Heritage Language and Latina/o Culture (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/spanish-language-literatures-culture/spanish-heritage-language-latino-culture-minor/)
• U.S. Latina/o Studies Minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/american-studies/us-latina-latino-studies-minor/)

Certificates
• East Asian Studies Certificate (HIST) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/history/east-asian-studies-certificate/)
• East Asian Studies Certificate (SLLC) (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/languages-literatures-cultures/east-asian-studies-certificate/)
• Latin American and Caribbean Studies Certificate (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/latin-american-caribbean-studies-certificate/)
• LGBTQ Studies Certificate (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/women-gender-sexuality-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies/LGBTQ-studies-certificate/)
• Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Certificate (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/women-gender-sexuality-studies/women-gender-sexuality-studies-certificate/)
COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Major Requirements

- All students must complete a program of study consisting of a major (a field of concentration) and sometimes supporting courses as specified by one of the academic units of the college. No program of study shall require in excess of 60 semester hours.
- A major shall consist, in addition to the lower-division departmental prerequisites, of 24 to 40 hours, at least 12 of which must be in courses numbered 3xx or 4xx and at least 12 of which must be taken at the University of Maryland, College Park.
- A major program sometimes requires a secondary field of concentration (supporting courses). The nature and number of these courses are determined by the major department.
- No grade lower than "C-" may be used to fulfill major or supporting course requirements. No course for the major or support module may be taken Pass-Fail.
- Students must earn at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA to graduate from the University of Maryland.
- An overall GPA of 2.0 in the major is required for graduation.
- Students should consult the unit in which they will major for specific details; certain units have mandatory advising.
- Students must take a Foreign Language Placement Assessment (arhu.umd.edu/undergraduate/flpa) prior to adding a major in the College of Arts and Humanities unless the student has fulfilled the required language prerequisites. Students who enter the University as Arts and Humanities majors must take the assessment by the end of their first semester on campus. Bachelor of Music students are exempt from taking the foreign language placement assessment. For more information about Bachelor of Music requirements, please see music.umd.edu.

Graduation Requirements

To graduate, all students must earn at least 120 credits and at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA. Additionally, students must complete College of Arts and Humanities requirements.

The following college requirements apply only to students earning Bachelor of Arts degrees from the College of Arts and Humanities. These requirements are in addition to or in fulfillment of campus and departmental requirements. For information concerning the Bachelor of Music in the School of Music, students should consult a Music advisor.

Students who double major in ARHU and another college on campus must complete the ARHU Global Engagement requirement and 45 hours of 3xx or 4xx-level credit.

All Arts and Humanities freshmen (excluding students in a living-learning program) must take ARHU158, Explorations in the Arts and Humanities, during their first semester on campus.

Distribution: To encourage advanced mastery of material, a minimum of 45 of the total of 120 semester hours must be 3xx-4xx level work.

For more information about the CORE program, please visit ugst.umd.edu/core.

For more information about the General Education program, please visit gened.umd.edu.

The Global Engagement Requirement

To expand ARHU students’ understanding of other cultures and language in an increasingly global society, ARHU students must complete the "Global Engagement Requirement.” Learning a second language produces deep knowledge of cultural as well as linguistic differences while opening pathways for common understanding. The requirement may be satisfied in one of three ways.

Option 1: Study of a Foreign Language

Requirement: Students will take foreign language coursework to the designated level at UMD. Please consult an ARHU advisor for a list of the approved course sequences.

Option 2: Cultural Immersion through Study Abroad

Requirement: Students will participate in a semester long Study Abroad experience in a country where English is not the primary language.

The study abroad experience must include:

1. At least the first year/elementary level language of the host country before or during the experience (or equivalent as determined by the ARHU foreign language placement policy);
2. A reflection component that will challenge students to assess their pre-departure, in country and post study abroad experience;
3. Participation in one of the following pre-approved engagement experiences:
   a. Internship
   b. Service Learning
   c. A living situation involving daily interaction with host nationals (e.g., a pre-approved home stay with a host national family)
   d. Other - an engagement experience approved in advance of departure

Students must develop a learning contract with an ARHU advisor in advance of studying abroad in order for the experience to count for the Global Engagement Requirement. Past study abroad experiences will not be considered retroactively.

Option 3: Individually-designed Engagement Experience

Requirement: Students may also create an individually-designed experience that achieves the learning outcomes of the global engagement requirement.

This option must include:

1. At least the first year/elementary level language of the host country before or during the experience (or equivalent as determined by the ARHU foreign language placement policy);
2. A pre-approved short- or long-term study abroad program that has been deemed appropriate for inclusion in this option by ARHU in conjunction with the Education Abroad Office;
3. Students must develop a learning contract with an ARHU advisor and petition to have the experience approved in advance.

Students proposing study abroad in an English-speaking country must choose to study a language that has significance to the historical or current culture of the host country. Students will need to research and discuss the intersection of the chosen language and culture in their petition.

Important Notes

1. Students already beyond the required language needed to fulfill the Global Engagement Requirement must document their language
proficiency by taking a placement assessment or equivalent as determined by the ARHU foreign language placement policy.

2. Students taking a foreign language class at the University of Maryland on or after 9/15/2011 will need to take a foreign language placement assessment. Please see an ARHU advisor for details.

3. Students seeking exemption from the Global Engagement Requirement must take the foreign language placement assessment in an on-campus proctored environment. Please see an ARHU advisor or see arhu.umd.edu/academics/foreign-language-placement/proctored-flpa (https://arhu.umd.edu/academics/foreign-language-placement/proctored-flpa/) for the proctored exam schedule.

For more information, please see an advisor in the ARHU Office of Student Affairs, call 301-405-2108, or visit arhu.umd.edu/undergraduate/globalengagement (http://arhu.umd.edu/undergraduate/globalengagement/).

ADVISING

Freshmen and new transfer students have advisors in the College of Arts and Humanities, Office of Student Affairs (301-405-2108) who assist them in the selection of courses. Students must see an advisor in their department for assistance in the selection of courses for the major. All first-year students (both freshmen and transfers), students who have completed 45-55 credits, and seniors who have completed 86-100 credits have mandatory advising with both the college and the department. For further information about advising, students should call the ARHU Office of Student Affairs, 301-405-2108.

Secondary Education Teacher Certification

A student interested in a career as a secondary education teacher in a subject represented in this college is encouraged to speak with an advisor in the College of Education Office of Student Services (1204 Benjamin Building) to discuss the different pathways available for certification. The College of Education offers programs that lead to certification for grades PreK-12 in Studio Art and World Language (Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish), and grades 7-12 in English and Social Studies (History). Degree pathways that lead to certification include the following:

1. An undergraduate double major in the content area and secondary education,
2. The five-year integrated master's program, which allows for the content major as an undergraduate degree and completion of certification and graduate degree requirements in a fifth year, or
3. The one-year intensive master’s plus certification program.

OPPORTUNITIES

Internships

Most departments within Arts and Humanities have well-established internship options. For more information on internships taken for academic credit toward their major, students should contact their departmental academic advisor. Internship credit is also available directly through the college for students who have fewer than 60 credits, students who are first semester students at UMD, students who have already completed an internship in their major or would like to explore an area outside their major, students who are engaging in research experiences or students who are doing remote internships or interning in a legislative environment. Typically, students must have a 2.5 GPA. They need to complete an application process and the experience usually lasts for a full semester or over the summer. Students must be enrolled for the internship during the semester in which they intern. Retroactive credit and credit for continuing internships will not be awarded. Internships are not considered to be a "credit for work" experience. In addition to participating in the on-site or remote experience, students will also fulfill an academic component. Students are eligible to be paid at their internship and still earn academic credit. For assistance in locating an internship, connect with the University Career Center at ARHU. Visit arhu.umd.edu/careers (http://arhu.umd.edu/careers/) for more information about appointment scheduling and career programs.

Living-Learning Programs

Honors Humanities

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Phone: 301-405-1537
hhum@umd.edu
honorshumanities.umd.edu (http://honorshumanities.umd.edu)

Director: Randy Ontiveros, Ph.D.
Associate Director: Sarah Hamud, Ph.D.

Entering freshmen participate by invitation in Honors Humanities, a two-year living/learning program at the University of Maryland. Honors Humanities is a prestigious undergraduate program for academically talented students who come from majors across campus and who share a passion for the arts and humanities and a desire for a well-rounded education. The program is organized around a diverse and interdisciplinary curriculum. It culminates in an independent research, service or creative project (the "Keystone Project") that a student designs and executes with the guidance of a faculty mentor. Honors Humanities provides students with engaging classes, fun extracurricular activities, life-long friendships, a lively home in Anne Arundel Hall, and opportunities to take advantage of the intellectual, social, and cultural riches of the Washington, D.C. region. Upon completion of the program, students earn an Honors Humanities citation, and this award is recorded on their university transcripts.

College Park Scholars-Arts

1110 Bel Air Hall
Phone: 301-405-0522
scholars.umd.edu (http://scholars.umd.edu)

Director: Harold Burgess

The College Park Scholars Arts Program, sponsored by the College of Arts and Humanities and Undergraduate Studies, is a community of diverse, spirited and talented individuals from a range of academic disciplines. Because students come from both within and outside of the arts, participating students will find the program to be both inclusive and supportive—regardless of artistic experience.

Art is among the most universal ways to make meaning out of the world we live in, and in the Arts Scholars program, students enjoy a broad community in which to do so. The program will challenge students to consider how art shapes our understanding of our learned history, biases and beliefs— and encourages the use of artistic practice to constructively comment on the similarities and differences in our identities.

But the Arts Scholars program is not just about what we do in the classroom. Students explore opportunities to engage with and learn from professional artists; attend virtual performances and exhibitions
presented by cultural institutions on campus, in Washington, D.C. and beyond; participate in service learning opportunities; and develop a self-directed capstone project during the second year.

As a participant of the program, students are a valued member of a social and open-minded community of future artists, educators, entrepreneurs, journalists, engineers, biologists and more. The Arts Scholars program enhances the student experience at UMD and influences how they understand the world and their place in it.

Jiménez-Porter Writers’ House
Queen Anne’s Hall
Phone: 301-405-0671
writershouse.umd.edu (http://writershouse.umd.edu)

Director: Johnna Schmidt

The Jiménez-Porter Writers’ House (JPWH) is a living and learning program open to all majors. The program was conceived and developed primarily for upper-division students, but will consider applications from academically talented incoming freshmen who have a solid focus on creative writing. Located in Queen Anne’s Hall, the Writers’ House creates a campus-wide literary center to study creative writing especially in its cross-cultural dimensions. Participants live in a close community of students who share an interest in creating stories, poems, plays, and screenplays. Students meet with visiting writers, publish a literary magazine, attend special readings and colloquia, attend an annual literary festival, and receive notation upon successful completion of the program. Class sizes are small, and many include one-on-one faculty advising sessions. The size of the program allows participants to form a strong and diverse community, with fifty to sixty students living and writing together each year. Applications can be submitted at apply.arhu.umd.edu (https://apply.arhu.umd.edu), or by visiting writershouse.umd.edu (http://writershouse.umd.edu). Final deadline for admission every year is March 1st for currently enrolled University of Maryland students, May 1st for transfer students and incoming freshmen.

Language House
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Phone: 301-405-6996
mmatar@umd.edu
sllc.umd.edu/special-programs/language-house (https://sllc.umd.edu/special-programs/language-house/)

Program Director: Dr. Marilyn Matar

The Language House Immersion Program was the first living-learning program established at the University of Maryland. The program is open to students from all majors wishing to immerse themselves in the study of foreign languages and cultures. Ten language clusters are available: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Persian, Russian or Spanish. Students live in apartments in St. Mary’s Hall with other members of their Language Cluster. They must commit to speaking their target language and upholding the immersive environment as they carry out daily activities, study, and socialize together in the Language House. Each language cluster works with a native or near-native mentor who assists students in maintaining the immersion environment. Mentors plan engaging, interactive cluster activities in which the residents explore many facets of the target language and culture(s), such as field trips, cooking activities, film or game nights, and interviews with native speakers. Faculty Liaisons from the School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures also work with students in each of the language clusters. Language House students are required to enroll in at least one course corresponding to their language of study each semester they spend in the program. Language House residents attend and participate in diverse events such as intercultural lectures, a themed short-film festival, and weekly conversation tables, among others, all of which foster a dynamic, interactive environment as part of the global Language House experience.

College Honors Program

Most departments in the College of Arts and Humanities offer Departmental Honors Programs (DHP). DHPs are upper-division programs within the individual academic units. Students enrolled in Departmental Honors work independently with faculty members in subjects of special interest, develop and deepen their research skills, and, in the process, earn an even stronger degree. Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 to be admitted. For further information about individual Departmental Honors Programs and policies, consult with departmental advisors.

Departments and Centers

Academic Computing Services
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At AADHUM, the African American Digital and Experimental Humanities Initiative at the University of Maryland, we focus both on digital studies-producing scholarship that evaluates and extends investigation into the histories and impacts of digital technologies on Black lifeworlds- and also on the design and development of projects that actively name Blackness in the production and implementation of digital technologies. We foster research and creative making at all levels, from fellowship opportunities for undergraduate students, to residencies for grad students, senior scholars, and collaborators, to local community programs.

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The University of Maryland Art Gallery collects, displays, and interprets art from diverse cultures. Its exceptional teaching collection– ranging from antiquity to the present– allows students, faculty, and the surrounding community to learn about art from around the world in one building. Opportunities for museum training and arts management experience are available to students through graduate assistantships and work-study positions.

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The David C. Driskell Center for the Study of the Visual Arts and Culture of African Americans and the African Diaspora at the University of Maryland, College Park, honors the legacy of David C. Driskell (1931-2020) - Distinguished University Professor Emeritus of Art, Artist, Art Historian, Collector, and Curator - by preserving the rich heritage of African American visual art and culture. Established in 2001, the Center provides an intellectual home for artists, museum professionals, art administrators, and scholars who are interested in broadening the field of African Diasporic studies. The Driskell Center is committed to collecting, documenting, and presenting African American art as well as replenishing and expanding the field.

Consortium on Race, Gender, and Ethnicity (CRGE)
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The Consortium on Race, Gender, and Ethnicity (CRGE), a university-wide, interdisciplinary research organization and pedagogic/mentoring unit, was founded in 1998 by pioneering faculty who developed a critical area of intersectional scholarship in the contemporary academy. CRGE is the first national interdisciplinary research center of its kind and is at the forefront of advancing equity, inclusion, intersectional qualitative, and mixed-methods research on campus and across the nation. We are uniquely focused on intersectional research and uplifting and mentoring traditionally and historically underrepresented minority (URM) students and early career faculty.

Why are we important to the UMD campus?

- Building human capital and promoting equity is at the core of our mission and programmatic activities.
- Interdisciplinary scholarship and collaboration are the driving forces of our research-building efforts.
- Qualitative and mixed methodologies form a central core of our expertise.
- Combining efforts with other units enhances the academic pathways of students and faculty, particularly URM.

CRGE has three unique dimensions that distinguish it from other campus units: focus on the intersections of race, ethnicity, gender, class and other dimensions of inequality as they shape the construction and representation of identities, behavior and complex social relations; commitment to qualitative research interests that illustrate the lived experiences of race/ethnic groups and showcase scholars’ innovative research methodologies and interdisciplinary collaborations; and engagement in the research pathways of students and faculty to contribute to the next generation of historically and traditionally underrepresented students, scholars and leaders.

Our intersectional scholarship examines the lived experiences of URM and other social and economically disadvantaged populations in public health, medicine and higher education sectors. Our work has investigated the role of mentoring of URM groups and their experiences in the pathway from college through early-career faculty and the role of discriminatory institutional practices on URM faculty health and well-being. Programming seeks to apply effective, equitable, and responsive practices to increase the retention and promotion of URM students and faculty. We sponsor intersectional dissertation research seed grants in partnership with the Office of Graduate Diversity and Inclusion (OGDI), and conduct a national summer Intersectional Qualitative Research Methods Institute (IQRMI) (for early-career faculty on the UMD campus and cosponsored one for advanced graduate students at UT Austin). CRGE has university wide intersectional faculty affiliates who are committed to social justice and are active in the community and nationwide efforts to advance gender, race, and ethnic relations through intersectional research.

As a first-class intersectional scholarship-driven center, CRGE is dedicated to understanding the intersections of inequality, inequity and
social justice and serves as a national example of a thriving and inclusive environment for critically engaged scholars whose research informs solutions to significant social and economic policy concerns.

**Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning (CITL)**

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The Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning (CITL) is a unit within the School of Languages, Literatures and Cultures whose mission is to enhance and support excellence in teaching, learning and research. The Center provides equipment, web support, training, and instructional design for SLLC faculty and staff as well as Big 10 Academic Alliance CourseShare courses.

Consultation services are available for course development, assessment, hybrid and blended course redesign, distance learning (via teleconference or Zoom), grant support, and digitization of course and research materials. The Center also maintains a small media library. Fee-based services for non-SLLC faculty include reserving a technology cart or teleconferencing equipment for use in Jimenez Hall and reserving the SLLC Collaborative Technology Classroom for occasional class meetings.