Beginning in Fall 2019, UMBC will offer two annual, renewable scholarships for up to four years of study that cover 50% tuition at time of initial matriculation. The scholarships are open to first-year international students admitted for undergraduate degree-seeking study at UMBC. Successful applicants will be dedicated to furthering the #YouAreWelcomeHere message by bridging intercultural divides. Applicants will submit a 500-1000 word written essay or a 2-5 minute video about their ideas for advancing intercultural learning and understanding at UMBC.

Eligibility Criteria

- Be a first-year international applicant to UMBC.
- Attend (or have graduated from) a secondary school outside of the United States.
- Demonstrate interest and personal initiative in activities involving intercultural learning and exchange.
- Complete a scholarship application and a 500-1000 word essay or a two-to-five minute video describing their aspirations to conduct projects, research, employment, or other experiences that will advance intercultural learning.

Application Process
1. Apply for admission to UMBC by November 1, 2018.

2. Submit the one-page #YouAreWelcomeHere application to ies@umbc.edu by January 15, 2019.

3. If awarded a scholarship, claim it by submitting a tuition deposit to UMBC by May 1.

Scholarship Maintenance

- Scholarship can be renewed for up to 4 years (Fall and Spring semesters only).
- Participate in at least 10 hours of cultural sharing and engagement with the local community.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.
- Enroll and successfully complete a minimum of 12 credits (exception may be granted) for Fall and Spring semesters.

Deadlines

- Apply for Admission to UMBC: November 1, 2018
- Submit Scholarship Application: December 15, 2018
- Make Enrollment Deposit: May 1, 2019