**ANNOUNCING ECONOMICS AND FINANCIAL ECONOMICS**

**SCHOLARSHIPS 2020-2021**

Dear Economics or Financial Economics Student:

 The Department of Economics is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications from qualified students for several departmental scholarships and awards. These scholarships will be credited to the students’ UMBC accounts at the beginning of the 2020-2021 academic year.

**Scholarships for ECON and FIEC Students**

 The specific awards that we expect to make include the following:

The ***Gerald R. Goldman Memorial Scholarship Fund*** provides scholarships for needy UMBC Economics or Financial Economics majors with an overall GPA of 3.40 or higher who will have completed, by the end of the Fall 2019 semester, 60 or more credits (at least 30 at UMBC) and at least 12 credits of ECON courses (other than accounting courses) at UMBC.

The ***Omicron Delta Epsilon Award*** recognizes excellence in economics. Applicants must have an overall GPA of 3.40 or higher and must have completed, by the end of the Fall 2019 semester, 60 or more credits (at least 30 at UMBC) of which at least 12 credits are ECON courses (other than accounting) at UMBC.

The ***Economics and Administrative Sciences Alumni Association Charles F. Peake Award*** will be awarded to an outstanding student in Economics, Financial Economics, or the Accounting or Finance certificate program. Applicants must have completed, by the end of the Fall 2019 semester, 60 or more credits (at least 30 at UMBC) of which at least 15 credits are in Economics or Administrative Sciences courses at UMBC with a GPA of 3.40 or higher.

The ***BB&T Scholarship*** is designated for an ECON major currently in his or her junior year with an outstanding scholastic record.

The ***Pittman Family Scholarship*** will be awarded to a deserving ECON or FIEC major.

**Application Procedure and Deadline**

 The application form is attached to the e-mail you received announcing the scholarships, or you can pick it up outside the Economics Department office (Public Policy Building room 338). Attach a copy of your current UMBC transcript to your completed application. A printed copy of your unofficial transcript is acceptable. **Hard copy applications must be received in the Economics Department office no later than 4:00 p.m. TUESDAY, March 31, 2020. Emailed applications will not be accepted.**

**Presentation of Scholarships**

 Decisions regarding winners of the awards are made by the Economics Department Awards Committee each spring for the following academic year. This year’s awards will be presented at the Economics Honors Reception on Thursday, April 30, 2020. *Award winners are urged to attend the reception*. The payment will be issued to the student’s account at the beginning of the fall semester 2020. Students who receive financial aid through the University should be aware that the award will be credited to their account and may be deducted from other financial aid.

 If you are chosen to receive a scholarship or award you will be notified by the department in advance and encouraged to attend the Economics Honors Reception. The reception provides you with an opportunity to meet with UMBC Economics and Financial Economics alumni, fellow students, and faculty. Further information about the reception will be sent to students and posted to the Economics Department website.