



# The UNIVERSITIES at Shady Grove

## USG AT A GLANCE

The Universities at Shady Grove (USG), is an innovative partnership of **nine University System of Maryland (USM) universities on one campus** in Montgomery County. Each of the **partner universities provides its most highly sought academic programs and awards its own degrees**. USG, in turn, provides centralized on-site student, academic and administrative services.

This unique integrated approach allows USG to offer **80 upper-level undergraduate, graduate degree and certificate programs**, in flexible formats that allow students to live, work and study close to home. USG connects students to outstanding career opportunities while providing regional employers with a highly educated, skilled workforce.



**4,000**

students attend programs offered at USG (2,600+ undergraduate and 1,400+ graduate); all undergraduate are upper-level transfers

**7,000**

students have earned undergraduate degrees from programs offered at USG since its inception in 2000, and thousands more have earned graduate degrees

**\$8,000**

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

**75%**

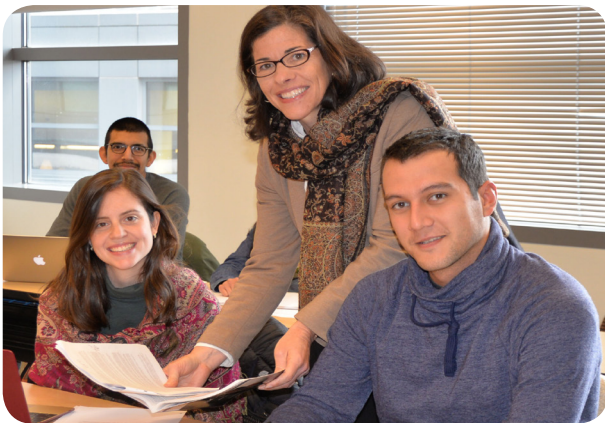
of undergraduate students at USG transferred from Montgomery College

**88%**

of graduates working in the region in their intended career field

**20%**

Higher graduation rate for students that follow the pathway from MC to USG vs. a 4-year university pathway



### COMMITTED TO STUDENT SUCCESS

- Small classes, personalized attention
- Centralized of student and **academic services**, including **financial aid, academic and career counseling**, and writing and study skills
- **Partnerships with local employers** provide **internships, clinical training**, mentoring and **career opportunities**
- Vibrant student life including **leadership opportunities**, professional groups, volunteer activities and social events
- State-of-the-art **green campus** with “**smart**” **classrooms**, computer laboratories, group study areas, university **library, café, fitness center and bookstore**





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## BRIDGING A CRUCIAL GAP FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Lack of financial resources is one of the major challenges that transfer students to four-year institutions experience. Led by the USG Board of Advisors, **USG supports scholarships and offers financial assistance** to deserving **students enrolling from community colleges**.

- For Fall 2015-2016 academic year, a total of **675 scholarships** were awarded to **605 students**
- Scholarships were awarded from **53 different scholarship programs**, totaling **\$1,327,358**
- A **majority** of scholarship recipients were **first generation college students**



## EDUCATING A DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

### Age Profile of Students at USG

#### UNDERGRADUATE

28

Average

26

Median

#### GRADUATE

32

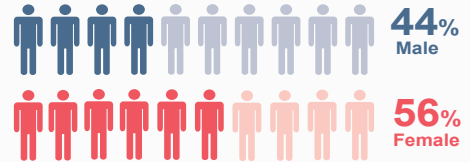
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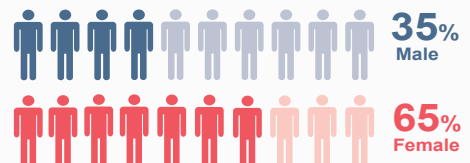
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### Gender Profile of Students at USG

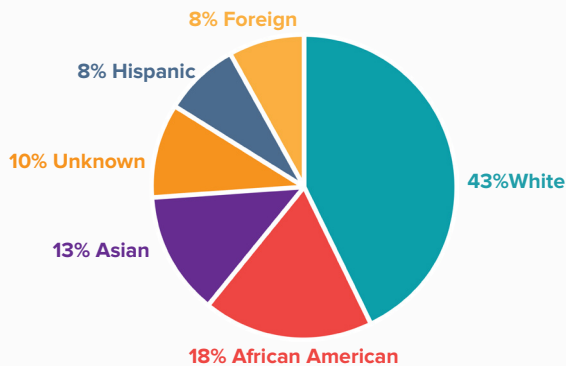
#### UNDERGRADUATE



#### GRADUATE



### Graduate Students Ethnic Diversity



### Undergraduate Students Ethnic Diversity

