### PART I:
**Wednesday August 13 – Thursday August 14**

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<td>9:30 – 10:00</td>
<td><strong>Workshop 1:</strong> “PROMISE Mission and Goals”</td>
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<td><strong>Workshop 2:</strong> “Developing Collaborative Relationships” (Small group activity)</td>
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<td>1:30 – 2:45</td>
<td><strong>Workshop 3:</strong> “Research, research, research. How to Exceed Your Advisor’s Expectations”</td>
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<td>2:45 – 3:00</td>
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<td>3:00 – 4:00</td>
<td><strong>Workshop 4:</strong> “Identifying Needs” (Interactive session)</td>
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**Registration and Breakfast (8:30 - 9:00 a.m.)**

- Welcome and Introduction from AGEP PIs (9:00 - 9:30 a.m.)
  - Principal Investigator: Dr. Arthur T. Johnson, Provost, UMBC
  - UMBC & UMCP Co-Principal Investigators:
    - Dr. Janet C. Rutledge, Associate Dean, The Graduate School, UMBC; Affiliate Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering
    - Dr. Johnetta G. Davis, Associate Dean for Student Affairs Policy, Division of Graduate Studies, University of Maryland College Park; Lecturer, Department of Family Studies (UMCP); Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Communication Sciences & Disorders - Howard University

**Assignment 1:** Briefly summarize (1 paragraph) chapters of text 1 for Fall 2003 courses
Thu Aug 14 AM

LOCATION: ALL @ UMBC
Lecture Hall V
ECS Bldg

Workshop 1: The Guaranteed 4.0 Learning System
Presenter: Donna O. Johnson, Guaranteed 4.0

Workshop 2: “How to study for Graduate Level Exams”
Presenter: Ya-Chin Chen, MBA, Guaranteed 4.0

LUNCH: Provided by PROMISE and the UMBC Graduate School

Workshop 3: “Destination Ph.D., A Project Management Approach”
Effective time management
Presenter: Dr. Tamiko Youngblood, Guaranteed 4.0

Workshop 4: “Semester Planning”*
Organizing a schedule (small group planning)
Presenter: Donna O. Johnson, Ya-Chin Chen, Guaranteed 4.0

ASSIGNMENT 3: Review 4.0 system, incorporate into text reading.
Outline two chapters of text 2 using 4.0 system
**PART II:**
Fri Aug 15 AM
**LOCATION:**
UMB 
School of Nursing 
Auditorium

Workshop 1:  9:00 – 10:00 
Break:  10:00 – 10:15 
Workshop 2:  10:15 – noon

**LUNCH:**
Provided by University of Maryland Baltimore

Fri Aug 15 PM
**LOCATION:** UMB

**Welcome from UMB Co-PI:**
Dr. Jordan E. Warnick, Assistant Dean for Student Education & Research, University of Maryland Baltimore School of Medicine; Professor of Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics

**Workshop 1: “Successfully Navigating the Ph.D.”**
Sorting out differences with people in your department, Managing family expectations and obligations, Eliminating distractions

Presenter: Mary Ellen Jackson, Associate Director, Graduate Meyerhoff Program, with Meyerhoff Graduate Fellows 
Jorge Velarde (MD/PhD - Biochemistry) 
Shahza Somerville(PhD – Neuroscience and Cognitive Science)

**Workshop 2: “The REAL DEAL: What it really takes to get a Ph.D. ... Insights and Life Lessons”**
Informal group discussion, including “Oral Language: What to say, words to use, ways to let your intellect shine through your speech”

Presenters: Drs. Tull, Rutledge, Davis, Warnick

**Afternoon**
*Baltimore Inner Harbor Community Building Activity*
Explore Baltimore (IMAX, Maryland Museum of Science, etc.)

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<td><strong>LOCATION:</strong></td>
<td><strong>Free Time</strong></td>
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<td>On your own</td>
<td>“Nurture time” activities – on your own</td>
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The Peer Mentors will be available for suggestions (e.g. religious/spiritual, exercise, relaxation)
### Week 2:

**PART III**
Monday Aug. 18 – Sunday Aug. 24

**Locations:**
*TBA by campus coordinators*

**WEEK 2:** ALL STUDENTS WILL BE INVOLVED WITH DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES ON THEIR OWN CAMPUSES. ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED TO SUPPLEMENT THE DEPARTMENTS’ ORIENTATIONS. CAMPUS COORDINATORS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SET UP SESSIONS THAT WILL SPEAK TO THE THEMES OF: Computer preparation, Setting a budget, Study strategies, and Research Preparation and Planning.

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<th>Theme: “Computer Preparation”</th>
<th>Assignment 4: Briefly summarize remaining chapters of texts, think about ways that your coursework will relate to your research.</th>
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| Mon Aug 18 PM | ON INDIVIDUAL CAMPUS | Theme: “Computer Preparation”                                                                                      | - Electronic Bulletin Board training  
  - Investigate software needed for courses (e.g. Matlab, SAS)                                                                 |                                                                                                                                 |
| Tue Aug 19    | ON INDIVIDUAL CAMPUS | Theme: “Study Strategies”                                                                                           | - Identify organizational system  
  - Gather supplies (additional notebooks, folders)  
  - Develop specific study strategy  
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| Thu Aug 21 AM ON INDIVIDUAL CAMPUS | THEME: “Research Planning”  
- Develop Preliminary Research Plan  
- Make a list of all relevant conferences in your field,  
- Gather calls for papers, record due dates on your calendar  
- Investigate conference funding mechanisms  
Evening Study Table  
ASSIGNMENT 7: Begin annotated bibliography of potential advisor’s publications |
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| Fri Aug 22 AM LOCATION: University of Maryland College Park Nyumburu Cultural Center, Multipurpose Room | **Workshops begin at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Workshop 1:** “How to be a Good Mentor, A PROMISE requirement for Preparing Maryland Trained Future Faculty”  
**Workshop 2:** “How Learning Takes Place”  
**Workshop 3:** “How to Command Respect in the Classroom as a Student and a Teacher”  
Presenter: Dr. Spencer A. Benson  
Director, UM College Park Center for Teaching Excellence  
Associate Professor, Department of Cell and Molecular Genetics  
University of Maryland College Park |
| Fri Aug 22 AM LOCATION: University of Maryland College Park Nyumburu Cultural Center, Multipurpose Room | BREAKFAST (8:30)  
&  
LUNCH: Provided by UM College Park |
| Sat Aug 23 | “Reward your efforts: Take care of yourself”  
**On your own**  
Students are encouraged to spend time with friends, family members, and others who will support their pursuit of the Ph.D. |
| Sun Aug 24 | “Nurture time” activities – on your own  
Peer Mentors will be available for suggestions |

Peer mentor committees:  
- Social (e.g. recreation), Preparation (e.g. academic focus), Nurture (e.g. exercise, spiritual activities)  

Evening Study Table:  
Study Table rooms and locations: TBA

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