THURSDAY, August 19, 2004  
University of Maryland College Park, Adele H. Stamp Student Union, Colony Ballroom

9:00am  Guaranteed 4.0 Workshop:  *How to Get a 4.0 as a Graduate Student*
4.0 Founder, National motivational speaker, and former President of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)

Attend this special seminar, designed especially for YOUR success!!  The Guaranteed 4.0 Learning System (headquartered in Dallas, TX, used by universities and student organizations nationwide) will be presenting the FULL range of seminars (including personal counseling!) so that you can achieve a 4.0! They pay YOU $100 if you don't get a 4.0 by following the Guaranteed 4.0 method!!

*PARKING:  Attention Incoming UMCP, UMBC and UMB Graduate Students:  please park @ the Union Lane Parking Garage.  A parking voucher will be provided.

FRIDAY, August 20, 2004  
Sheraton Columbia Hotel, Columbia, MD; Terrace Ballroom A, B, and C

7:45am  Depart from UMCP.  Meet Bus at Lee Building (Bldg #071 on Regents Drive).  We will depart promptly @ 7:45am!

9:00am  Welcome to PROMISE!
Dr. Renetta G. Tull  
PROMISE Program Director

Welcome to the Universities in Maryland!
Dr. Arthur Johnson  
UMBC Provost, Maryland AGEP PI
Dr. Janet Rutledge  
Co-PI, UMBC Associate Dean of the Graduate School
Dr. Johnetta Davis  
Co-PI, UMCP Associate Dean of the Graduate School
Dr. Jordan Warnick  
Co-PI, UMB Assistant Dean of the Medical School

9:45am  “Strive for Excellence-Make it the Rule Rather than the Exception”
Dr. Christine Grant  
Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering, North Carolina State University  
2004 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring

10:30am  Peer Mentors' Secrets of Success  “Seminar: Undergrad is over!”
Peer Mentors as Panel Leaders:  
UMB – Erica Martin, Lemuel Russell  
UMBC - Sonia Arteaga, Robert Alexander  
UMCP - Angela Grant, Willie Merrill
11:30am  Lunch & Afternoon Address: “Excellence is in your Destiny”
        Dr. Javier Armendariz
        Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratories

1:00pm  Break

1:20pm  Intensive Courses/Concurrent Summer Success Seminars:
        • Statistics
          Talithia Daniel
          * Rice AGEP Doctoral Scholars
        • Guaranteed 4.0 Time Management
          Donna O. Johnson and Ya-Chin Chen
          * Best results from this seminar will be obtained if attendees have already participated in the Guaranteed 4.0 Pre-Conference Workshop on August 19 (description above)
        • Faculty of Color Network meeting
          Dr. Rhonda Drayton

4:30pm  Check into Hotel/Break
        *All students who are staying at the hotel must check in at the front desk of the hotel

6:00pm  “Reception: Images of Possibility - Networking with Faculty”
        PROMISE Awards Dinner
        Location: Columbia Lakefront
        Hosts: UMBC, UMCP, UMB Peer Mentors

After 8pm  Optional Social Activities (at your own expense)**:
        ❖ Jillian’s Of Arundel Mills
          o AFTER 9pm: Est. Cost: $5, 21 and over w/valid id
        ❖ Live Jazz @ Silver Shadows
          o Estimated Cost $10
        Guides: PROMISE Peer Mentors and Staff

**transportation not provided

SATURDAY, August 21, 2004
Sheraton Columbia Hotel, Columbia, MD

8:00 am  Meet the Staff, Time Management mentoring Breakfast roundtables

9:00 am  PROF-it (Professors-in-Training) Seminar: The Next Step: From Resume and Vita to Teaching Portfolio
        Dr. Spencer Benson
        UMCP Center for Teaching Excellence

This workshop is for all students at all levels, whether you are just beginning your graduate school career or ready to defend your dissertation. Learn how to design a portfolio that will represent you and your work to the public.

12 noon  Lunch: “Reflections: Looking Back to Move Forward”
        Moderator: Jill Pegues
        UMB PROMISE

2:00 pm  Optional Social Activities (at your own expense)**:
        ❖ Movie (tba) @ AMC Theater
          o Estimated Cost: $6.50 with valid Student ID
        ❖ Shopping @ Columbia Mall
          Guides: PROMISE Peer Mentors and Staff

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6:00 pm  Meet Bus in front of Sheraton Columbia Hotel. We will depart no later than 6:15pm!
Optional Social Activity *(at your own expense)*: Mike Brooks at Jokes on Us Comedy Club in Laurel, MD

Guide: Shahza Somerville  
Cost: $6.00  
RSVP: ssomer1@umbc.edu

DIRECTIONS:

TO UMCP:  
Location: Adele H. Stamp Student Union, Colony Ballroom  

DIRECTIONS: http://www.cvs.umd.edu/visit/directions.html  
Or visit yahoo!Maps use UMCP address as Baltimore Ave and Campus Drive, College Park, 20742  
Or copy and paste this link into web –  
http://maps.yahoo.com/maps_result?ed=z1DqQep_0TpJ3u53NMYVA2th1iNN.MpYmPu5sFiT9GlvzEY- &csz=College+Park%2C+MD+20742-0001&country=us&new=1&name=UMCP&qty=

From the Main Entrance:  
Follow Campus Drive (about 1 mile – pass the Big M Circle)  
Turn Right on to Union Lane  
Turn Left into Union Lane Garage

PARKING:  
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Please park in the Union Lane Garage. See PROMISE Staff for parking voucher.  

Continuing UMCP Graduate Students: please use your student permit (good until the first day of class).

TO SHERATON COLUMBIA HOTEL  
Location: 10207 Wincopin Cir, Columbia, MD 21044  (410) 730-3900  
website: http://www.sheratoncolumbia.com/

Directions:  
Mapquest: copy and paste this link into web –  
http://www.mapquest.com/maps/map.adp?country=US&address=10207+Wincopin+Circle+&city=Columbia+&state=MD&zipcode=21044&homesubmit.x=32&homesubmit.y=16

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Parking: FREE! No passes/voucher needed.