



*Alumni*  
**AWARDS**  
**2024**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**University Center Ballroom**



## Welcome

Welcome to the 2024 UMBC Alumni Awards! The Alumni Association Board of Directors is proud to once again host our signature event in modern ways that enable broad participation.

This year, we recognize inspiring alumni who represent fields ranging from natural and mathematical sciences to the humanities, as well as a rising star and distinguished service recipient. In addition to our outstanding faculty member award, we were excited to add a new award last year that recognizes an outstanding staff member. The leadership of the Alumni Awards committee, along with the steadfast support of the alumni engagement team, made tonight's event possible. We look forward to honoring the very best of UMBC as we celebrate our community of inquiring minds.



Kevin Yang '07

*President, UMBC Alumni Association Board of Directors*

Welcome to the 36th Alumni Awards! I'm thrilled to join the Alumni Association Board of Directors in celebrating excellence within our community. Tonight, we honor ten remarkable individuals who have made a significant impact at UMBC and beyond. Your presence here tonight helps us uplift these exceptional awardees, who truly embody the spirit of our UMBC community. I hope their inspiring stories resonate with you as much as they have with me. Let's celebrate their achievements together.



Stanyell Odom

*Director, Office of Alumni Engagement*

# Program

## Welcome

### **Kevin Yang '07**

*President, UMBC Alumni Association  
Board of Directors*

### **Karen Woodard '90 and Sean McWilliams, M.S. '16**

*Co-Chairs, Alumni Awards Committee*

## Dinner Service

## Presentation of Awards

### *Outstanding Alumni*

#### **Dr. Khadijah Z. Ali-Coleman '95**

*interdisciplinary studies*

#### **Dr. Omolola Eniola-Adefeso '99**

*chemical engineering*

#### **Zhensen Huang, M.S. '00, Ph.D. '04**

*information systems*

#### **Dr. Matthew J. Levy '00, M.S. '08**

*emergency health services*

#### **Padmanabhan Seshaiyer, Ph.D. '98**

*applied mathematics*

### *Rising Star*

#### **Dr. Austin Murdock '15**

*computer science*

### *2024 Distinguished Service Award*

#### **Faisal Quader, Ph.D. '20**

*information systems*

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#### **Anwasha Dey, Ph.D. '04**

*biochemistry and molecular biology*

### *Outstanding Faculty*

#### **Dr. Jiyoon Lee**

*Associate Professor, MA TESOL  
Program, College of Arts, Humanities,  
and Social Sciences, UMBC*

### *Outstanding Staff*

#### **David Hoffman, Ph.D. '13**

*language, literacy, and culture*

*Director, Center for Democracy  
and Civic Life, Division of Student  
Affairs, UMBC*

## Closing Remarks

#### **Dr. Valerie Sheares Ashby**

*President, UMBC*

## Dessert Reception

## *Outstanding Alumni*



### **Dr. Khadijah Z. Ali-Coleman '95** **interdisciplinary studies**

*Poet Laureate of Prince George's County, Maryland, Associate Professor of English, Coppin State University, Founder of Black Writers for Peace & Social Justice, Inc.*

Dr. Khadijah Ali-Coleman is the 2023 - 2026 Poet Laureate of Prince George's County, Maryland. She is the author of the poetry collections *For the Girls Who Do Too Much* and *The Summoning of Black Joy*, the children's book *Mariah's Maracas*, and co-editor of the book *Homeschooling Black Children in the U.S.* More than a dozen of her plays have been presented publicly in venues throughout the country.

As a student, Dr. Ali-Coleman was a McNair Scholar and served as a resident assistant, writer for *The Retriever Weekly* and the Black Student Union's *VOICES Literary Magazine*, a member of the Black Student Recruitment Team, and a summer student peer advisor with the Advisement Center. She credits her experience at UMBC as a student leader with building her skills in creating and implementing public programs and engaging with the community.

Dr. Ali-Coleman is founder of Liberated Muse Arts Group, a touring multidisciplinary arts organization, and Black Writers for Peace and Social Justice, a 501(c)3 organization that leads the charge in providing transformative learning experiences for writers dedicated to advancing principles of peace and social justice through their work. She founded Black Family Homeschool Educators and Scholars, LLC, in 2020 during the COVID-19 quarantine, providing vital training support to over 3,000 families. She is currently an associate professor of English at Coppin State University. Dr. Ali-Coleman earned her doctorate from Morgan State University and her M.A. in mass communication from Towson University. She earned a B.A. in interdisciplinary studies from UMBC.

## *Outstanding Alumni*



### **Dr. Omolola Eniola-Adefeso '99** **chemical engineering**

*Dean, College of Engineering, University of Illinois Chicago*

Dr. Omolola (Lola) Eniola-Adefeso is the incoming dean of engineering at the University of Illinois Chicago. She is currently the Vennema Endowed Professor of Chemical Engineering and the University Diversity

and Social Transformation Professor of Chemical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. She is the first Black woman to receive an endowed professorship in engineering at the University of Michigan. After completing a doctoral degree in chemical and biomolecular engineering at the University of Pennsylvania in 2004, Dr. Eniola-Adefeso was a postdoctoral associate in pediatrics/leukocyte biology at Baylor College of Medicine. She is the current president of American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering.

Throughout her career, Dr. Eniola-Adefeso has championed efforts to bring greater diversity to the field of engineering, including the multi-institutional NextProf engineering program, directed at increasing the number of Ph.D. students and postdoctoral students from traditionally underrepresented groups in engineering who are transitioning into academic careers. Dr. Eniola-Adefeso co-founded BME (Biomedical Engineering) Women Faculty UNITE, a national group of biomedical engineering faculty who are interested in educating themselves, improving representation, and combating racism in STEM. She also developed and led a grant program sponsored by Genentech that provides research funding to BME faculty facing racial funding disparity.

Dr. Eniola-Adefeso became the first transfer student to be admitted to the Meyerhoff Scholars Program at UMBC, and she became the first graduate of the Meyerhoff program to reach the ranks of full professor at an R1 institution. Dr. Eniola-Adefeso credits the Meyerhoff Scholars Program and Dr. Freeman Hrabowski for changing her life.

## *Outstanding Alumni*



### **Zhensen Huang, M.S. '00, Ph.D. '04** **information systems**

*Chief Executive Officer and Founder,  
Precise Software Solutions, Inc.*

Dr. Zhensen Huang is an information technology leader with over 25 years of experience in creating possibilities for employees and customers. Since founding Precise in 2013, Dr. Huang and his team have been recognized for their unique culture and exponential growth. In March 2019, the United States Small Business Administration named Dr. Huang the “Small Business Person of the Year for the State of Maryland” and the United States Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship named his company, Precise, as the “Senate Small Business of the Week” in May 2019. In 2022, the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce named Dr. Huang the “2022 Small Business Leader of the Year.” Recently, Precise was ranked #12 on the 2024 Fortune Best Workplaces in Technology in the small and medium category.

Among his civic engagements, Dr. Huang has served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations. In 2021 he established the Precise Foundation to expand his company’s civic impact. Since 2022, Precise Foundation has partnered with LearnServe International to bring together high school students to develop social entrepreneurship solutions.

Dr. Huang holds a master’s and a Ph.D. in information systems from UMBC. He co-chairs the Department of Information Systems Advisory Board and co-founded the fundraising subcommittee. He has been a featured speaker at GRIT-X and for Information Systems Research Day, where he shared that it is important to stay connected and advocate for your communities. Dr. Huang is married to a fellow UMBC alum, and he is a proud Retriever for life.

## *Outstanding Alumni*



### **Dr. Matthew J. Levy '00, M.S. '08** **emergency health services**

*Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Johns Hopkins School of Medicine; Medical Director and Clinical Associate Professor, UMBC Emergency Health Services; Chief Medical Officer, Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services; Chair, Stop the Bleed Coalition*

Dr. Matthew Levy is a passionate medical educator, policy and program implementer, civic leader, and advocate for outcomes-driven prehospital care and resuscitation with a career spanning three decades. He is a clinical associate professor and the medical director of the UMBC Department of Emergency Health Services, as well as the deputy director of operational medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He actively participates in various local, state, federal, and international organizations related to prehospital, operational, and disaster medicine.

Dr. Levy serves as the chief medical officer and EMS medical director of the Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services and Central Maryland (Region III) EMS medical director for the State of Maryland. Additionally, he is a visiting scholar at the National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health, a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians, a fellow of the Academy of Emergency Medical Services, and a member of the Scientific Advisory Council of the American Red Cross.

Dr. Levy was initially drawn to UMBC because of its distinguished history and significant contributions to emergency health and disaster health services. However, it is UMBC's sense of community that keeps him coming back. He says, "Nearly three decades later, as a faculty member, I still feel that same sense of belonging and excitement every time I return to campus. It is a place of community, engagement, inclusion, and innovation where great people come together to do great things and solve difficult problems."

## *Outstanding Alumni*



### **Padmanabhan Seshaiyer, Ph.D. '98** **applied mathematics**

*Professor, Mathematical Sciences  
Department and Director of the Center  
for Outreach in Mathematics Program,  
George Mason University*

Dr. Padmanabhan Seshaiyer is a dedicated educator and esteemed applied mathematician. Currently professor at George

Mason University (GMU), he has served as the chair of the U.S. National Commission on Mathematics Instruction by the National Academy of Sciences, as well as the chair of the Diversity Advisory Committee for the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics.

Dr. Seshaiyer has initiated and directed a variety of educational programs including graduate and undergraduate research, K-12 outreach, teacher professional development, and enrichment programs to foster the interest of students and teachers in STEM. He has also initiated several programs to engage several hundred women and underrepresented minorities in STEM, as well as helped to deliver professional learning for K-12 teachers to enhance their own pedagogical practices. He has mentored research projects for over 250 students, published over 175 peer-reviewed journal articles and proceedings, authored two graduate texts, and acquired over \$20 million in grant funding. He is also actively involved in multiple global STEM projects and training programs that engage students and faculty from over 23 countries.

Dr. Seshaiyer gave the inaugural talk in the CNMS alumni lecture series, engaging faculty and students at UMBC on "Transforming Institutional Practices through Innovative Educational Approaches to Prepare the Next Generation Workforce." His talk helped to highlight that the need to advance a compelling vision requires transforming practices through synthesized collaboration and a shared commitment to academic excellence and student success. He also engaged UMBC faculty and students to learn how to use a human-centered approach in research and education to address real-world challenges.

## *Rising Star*



### **Dr. Austin Murdock '15** **computer science**

*Founder, SixMap, Inc.*

Dr. Austin Murdock is the founder of SixMap, a deep technology company in Columbia, Maryland, that provides cybersecurity services to the Department of Defense (DOD) and Fortune 500 companies.

SixMap has won Small Business Innovation Research awards from the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force, U.S. Army xTechSearch award, Black Unicorn award, Global Cyber Innovation Summit Disrupt 8 award, and has raised \$15 million in venture capital funding. Last year, Dr. Murdock was named a "Red Hot Entrepreneur" by DCA Live.

Dr. Murdock is a subject matter expert in cybersecurity, computer networking, high performance computing, and machine learning. He has led research projects at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincoln Laboratory, a DOD federally funded research and development center, the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, a university affiliated research center that provides government agencies with deep technology expertise, and the International Computer Science Institute. While earning his Ph.D. at the University of California, Berkeley, Dr. Murdock developed computational network mapping and first applied it to internet-wide IPv6 scanning. He has given invited talks on his research at UMBC and the University of Maryland, College Park.

Dr. Murdock started his cybersecurity career working for the National Security Agency (NSA). During his time at UMBC, he participated in the NSA funded Meyerhoff Scholars Program, was the president of the Council of Computing Majors, and was a HackUMBC finalist. He graduated from UMBC summa cum laude and received the UMBC Outstanding Achievement in Computer Science award.

## *Distinguished Service 2024*



**Faisal Quader, Ph.D. '20**  
**information systems**

*President and Cofounder of Technuf LLC,  
Adjunct Faculty at the University of Maryland,  
College Park, and Adjunct Faculty at the  
University of Maryland, Baltimore County*

Dr. Faisal Quader has spent 29 years in the fields of engineering, computer science, and information science as an industry leader

from large-scale product development to complex service delivery for demanding federal and commercial customers. He is the president and co-founder of Technuf, a Maryland-based company providing leading-edge and proven technologies and industry vertical domain expertise to achieve their customers' mission critical business needs. Prior to that, he spent more than 15 years with General Electric and Lockheed Martin Corporation, implementing their mission critical technical solutions. Dr. Quader is proud to complete his doctoral studies at UMBC, where he had the privilege to do in-depth research on cybersecurity, data science and human behavioral analytics under renowned professors in this field.

Along with his professional and academic career, Dr. Quader supports the governor as the commissioner on South Asian American Affairs. He is also engaged with leading numerous nonprofit organizations including AABEA, BEST, the National Kidney Foundation, St. Junes Children's Research Hospital, the Computer Literacy Program, and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Dr. Quader has established Technuf Endowed Fellowship at UMBC to provide scholarships to master's or Ph.D. candidates in the Department of Information Systems. Dr. Quader proudly serves as a member of the Department of Information Systems Advisory Board and is a current adjunct faculty for information systems at UMBC. He brings in real-world industry case studies and uses these with his students. Through his service on the Advisory Board and as an adjunct faculty, he is able to build a path to greater success and growth for both students and the department.

## *Distinguished Service 2023*



**Anwasha Dey, Ph.D. '04**  
**biochemistry and molecular biology**

*Distinguished Scientist and Executive Director,  
AI-Oncology, Cancer Biology, Genentech*

As a distinguished scientist and executive director of AI-oncology and cancer biology at Genentech, Dr. Anwasha Dey directs a large group of senior and principal scientists across a wide range of disciplines. She has led drug discovery project teams, made numerous key contributions to Genentech's scientific output and oncology portfolio and has published more than 40 research articles on key signaling pathways in cancer, signaling, and cell death. She was recently named as a 2024 Emerging Leader in Health and Medicine Scholar by the National Academy of Medicine, a highly competitive honor. She received the 2023 Changemaker Award from the Genentech Chief Diversity Office and the 2022 Emerging Leader Award at Genentech. She also currently serves on the Scientific Advisory Board of the Keystone Symposia.

Dr. Dey is a passionate mentor who has been actively involved in the Scientific Mentoring and Diversity Program, Postdoc Hiring Initiative, and the Genentech talent acquisition committee. Dr. Dey was drawn to the strong research community at UMBC, traveling to Baltimore from Singapore. Here, she spent six months immersed in research where the inspiring lab, science, and community solidified her passion for pursuing a career in this field.

Thanks to the encouragement of Dr. Michael Summers, she soon applied to UMBC for graduate school. She says that UMBC provided a nurturing and collaborative environment for scientific research, enabling personal development and scientific growth. Dr. Dey regularly visits UMBC to inform undergraduate and graduate students about internship and career opportunities in the biotechnology sector.

## *Outstanding Faculty*



### **Dr. Jiyeon Lee**

*Associate Professor, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) M.A. Program, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, UMBC*

Dr. Jiyeon Lee has been a dedicated member of the UMBC community since 2015, contributing her expertise and passion to the Department of Education through teaching, research, and developing international opportunities for her students. What sets Dr. Lee apart is her depth of knowledge and her ability to translate complex theories into practical, actionable strategies as well as continuing to help and encourage her students post graduation.

She has an extensive publication record in journals such as *TESOL Quarterly*, *Language Testing*, *Modern Language Journal*, *English Today*, and *English Teaching*. Through her research, she delves into nuanced issues surrounding language assessment literacy, shedding light on the complexities of language assessment and offering innovative solutions to address challenges faced by both educators and learners.

Dr. Lee has also demonstrated a steadfast commitment to UMBC Master of Arts in TESOL students by facilitating partnerships with local schools and educational institutions. She has created opportunities for preservice teachers to engage with diverse learners and gain practical insights into classroom dynamics and teaching practices. One notable example of her service to the UMBC community is her collaboration with a former student to enhance pre- and in-service teachers' and students' language assessment literacy while engaging them in an assessment development project. The assessment development project also focused on incorporating culturally responsive and inclusive practices, ensuring that the assessments created were fair and accessible to students from various linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

## *Outstanding Staff*



### **David Hoffman, Ph.D. '13** **language, literacy, and culture**

*Director, Center for Democracy and Civic Life,  
Division of Student Affairs, UMBC*

Dr. David Hoffman has worked in UMBC's Division of Student Affairs for 21 years, developing and leading collaborative programs through which participants develop the knowledge, skills, dispositions, and relationships needed to help their communities thrive. He also has provided informal guidance to hundreds of students, helping them to explore and sharpen their sense of purpose, career objectives, and civic aspirations. UMBC established the Center for Democracy and Civic Life in 2018 to extend this work by developing and sharing educational practices that enable and inspire people to shape their world together. Dr. Hoffman is the center's founding director.

In addition to his work with the center, Dr. Hoffman develops and teaches courses as a faculty fellow in UMBC's Honors College, and has contributed to many campus initiatives as a board or committee member. He serves as a member (and past chair) of the Steering Committee for the American Association of State Colleges and Universities American Democracy Project.

Dr. Hoffman's impact on campus culture is evident in the language and spirit of "co-creation" that has become a UMBC hallmark in large part because of his advocacy and example. He also has exemplified UMBC's value of inclusive excellence by treating students, alumni, faculty, and fellow staff members alike as equals: human beings with stories and insights that matter. Because of Dr. Hoffman's commitment to his work, thousands of students from UMBC have engaged in meaningful work to strengthen and nurture their local and global communities.

# UMBC alumni ASSOCIATION

UMBC's Alumni Association is a non dues-paying organization and is led by a 40 member volunteer Board of Directors. The leadership consists of the executive committee that includes officers and committee chairpersons. Board committees include: *Alumni Awards, Governance, Membership, Public Relations, Scholarship, and Strategic Initiatives.*

## **Mission**

The UMBC Alumni Association is a growing and global network, rooted in Maryland, consisting of all UMBC graduates from diverse backgrounds and specialties. The association nurtures the individual and community foundations shaped at UMBC by strengthening connections between alumni, future alumni, friends, and partners. The association champions the UMBC institution, initiatives, and values in order to continue building a lasting legacy of grit and greatness.

## **Vision**

The UMBC Alumni Association fosters lasting connections by increasing engagement and developing deeper relationships among the global UMBC community. We leverage technology and innovation to expand our reach and amplify the value of UMBC around the world. As ambassadors for UMBC, we stand up for justice and take part in civic dialogue to strengthen communities where we live, work, and serve.



*Board members pictured with President Sheares Asbby at the 2023 Alumni Awards.*

*We would like to recognize the Alumni Association Board of Directors for their continued support of UMBC.*

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Brigid Zuknick '09

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*With special thanks to the following individuals for serving on the awards selection committee with Alumni Awards Committee members:*

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*Chapter of Meyerhoff Alumni/Meyerhoff Alumni Advisory Board representative*

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*Founding Four representative*

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This year, eight deserving students were awarded General and Legacy scholarships through this fund.

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biochemistry and molecular biology

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public health

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psychology

We celebrate them and honor their success tonight by giving to support the next generation of Retrievers. Our UMBC legacy depends upon the strength of their accomplishments.

Help us continue to transform the lives of students by donating and supporting our fundraising goal of \$50,000 this year for the endowment.

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**Thank you to ALL of the donors who contributed to the Alumni Endowed Scholarship Fund in Fiscal Year 2024 (7/1/23 - 6/30/24) and 2025 (7/1/24 - 9/13/24).**

It is through your generosity that we are able to continue the legacy of support established by the UMBC Alumni Association Board of Directors in 1996 and help students pursue their dreams of attaining a higher education. The list below reflects donors who made gifts of \$250 or more.

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Learn more at [alumni.umbc.edu](https://alumni.umbc.edu)

## Past Alumni Award Recipients

The alumni, faculty, and staff who received previous awards represent a distinguished group who have exemplified grit and greatness in their field, their service to UMBC, and in their personal lives. Past winners have included a U.S. Surgeon General, a Lucasfilm sound editor, the *New Yorker's* social media director, chief judges, teachers, and scientists advancing fields such as medicine, chemical engineering, physics, and biology.

To read more about past alumni award recipients  
please visit

[alumni.umbc.edu/alumniawards](https://alumni.umbc.edu/alumniawards)

