

BALTIMORE, MD – Today, Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (MD-5) visited University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC) and Morgan State University and met with leadership at each institution.

“I’m pleased I could join Dr. Freeman Hrabowski and Dr. David Wilson today to discuss the important steps UMBC and Morgan State are taking to strengthen higher education in Maryland,” **stated Congressman Hoyer**. “Maryland schools lead our nation’s colleges and universities, especially when it comes to strengthening and promoting STEM education, which is critical to ensuring America’s competitiveness. I have made investments in higher education a priority in the Make It In America jobs plan I’m leading in Congress, and look forward to working with Dr. Hrabowski and Dr. Wilson to build a competitive workforce and ensure our students can succeed in Maryland and around the country.”

At UMBC, Congressman Hoyer and Dr. Hrabowski discussed a number of campus STEM initiatives, including the Meyeroff Scholars Program; the partnership between the Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS) and UMBC to improve STEM student achievement and teacher retention; and the Sherman STEM Teacher Education Program.

At Morgan State University, Congressman Hoyer toured the Center for the Built Environment and Infrastructure Studies; the Earl S. Richardson Library; the Student Center; and the site of their new Business School. Following the tour, Congressman Hoyer and Dr. Wilson discussed the university’s strategic goals which include enhancing student success; enhancing Morgan State’s status as a doctoral research university; improving and sustaining infrastructure and operational processes; growing the Morgan State’s resources; and engaging with the community.

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