Exhibit 7



February 25, 1999

Adnan M Syed

Dear Adnan,

I am pleased to inform you of your admission to the University of Maryland Baltimore County for Fall 1999. UMBC has become increasingly selective, and you can be proud of this distinction. Congratulations, and welcome to UMBC.

Included in your folder is information concerning enrollment at UMBC. The Enrollment Intent/Deposit Form should be returned by May 1. Information about our orientation program and registration is also provided.

We have also enclosed an application for on-campus housing. Demand for our residences has been increasing. If you are interested in living on campus, I encourage you to apply as soon as possible.

Because the residency section of your application was incomplete, we have temporarily classified you as a non-Maryland resident for tuition charges. Please provide the missing information on the attached copy of your form and we will be happy to reconsider your classification.

Again, congratulations on your admission to UMBC. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Office of Admissions, and we will be happy to help you. I look forward to seeing you on campus this fall.

Sincerely.

Tom Taylor

Assistant Provost for

Enrollment Management

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April, 1999

Adnan Syed

Dear Adnan:

Congratulations on your outstanding academic achievements, and welcome to the UMBC community. We are an exciting university, where faculty, students, and staff are always working to excel.

At UMBC, you will be part of an honors university with a strong undergraduate liberal arts and sciences focus, and you can expect to be fully engaged in your education. Like other UMBC students, you will have opportunities to work with nationally recognized faculty on research ranging from AIDS prevention and environmental issues affecting Chesapeake Bay to computer graphics and animation. You also will have the opportunity to participate in studyabroad programs in England, Mexico, and Italy, among other countries.

At UMBC, you will find yourself immersed in a culture of success. Our location in the Baltimore-Washington corridor includes vital links with business, government, and graduate and professional schools. Impressed with the UMBC students they have hired in the past, hundreds of employers are connected to UMBC, and our graduates include thousands of doctors, scientists, lawyers, teachers, social workers, artists, and other professionals. It also is significant that a third of UMBC's graduates go immediately to many of the nation's finest graduate and professional schools including Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Yale, and Stanford.

As a UMBC student, you will also benefit from our growing national reputation. In fact, UMBC is prominently featured in *Newsweek*'s recent college guide and is described as a "powerhouse in Baltimore offering a topnotch, rigorous education to scholars who don't want to pay for an Ivy."

Again congratulations on your accomplishments. I hope you will take advantage of all the exciting opportunities that UMBC has to offer and join our freshman class this fall.

Sincerely,

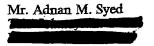
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College Park, Maryland 20742-4911 301.314.8217 TEL

March 16, 1999



Dear Mr. Syed:

Congratulations on your acceptance to the University of Maryland, College Park. As a new student coming to the University, you are invited to become a member of one of the most exciting communities of higher education in the nation. We look forward to your participation and contribution to the University of Maryland tradition.

Starting your first semester at college can seem like an overwhelming process. The University of Maryland, College Park is committed to ensuring that your transition is smooth and leads to a successful college career.

As the first step in this process, you should attend one of our orientation sessions for first-year students. This orientation program has been designed to address your needs and concerns regarding academic requirements, course selection, living arrangements, and campus life. This two-day program will commence at 7:45 a.m. and will end at approximately 3:30 p.m. on the second day. The freshman orientation includes an introduction to University academic requirements, advisement with your college, and registration for classes. In addition, you will receive information concerning residential or off-campus living arrangements. You also will have the opportunity to explore the myths and realities of campus life at UMCP through personal interactions with faculty, administrators, and other students. We believe the orientation program will provide you with the latest information to ease your transition to our exciting campus. The fee for this program is \$104.00 Please note that this fee will be reflected on your student account statement and is a separate fee from your \$100.00 confirmation fee.

In this packet, you should find a parking permit for Lot 1. This permit must be displayed on your car's dashboard during the orientation program. You should also find information regarding the math placement test. Please review the sample questions to help in your preparation for the exam. Additionally, you will find enclosed the "Guide to Orientation," an immunization form which is to be returned to the Campus Health Center, and an information sheet inviting parents and family members to participate in orientation.

Our records indicate that your major is Letters and Sciences. Orientation sessions for this major will be held on June 10, 14, 17, 21, July 1, 8, 12, 19, 22, or August 5. Upon confirmation of your admission to the university, please contact the Orientation Office, (301) 314-8217, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., to reserve a space in a program. If you are unable to attend one of the programs on these scheduled dates, please contact the Orientation Office for more information. If you intend to change your major, please contact the Admissions Office at (301) 314-8385, and then notify the Orientation Office of the confirmed change.

We wish you happiness and success for the forthcoming year, and look forward to seeing you at one of our programs. If you have any questions concerning the University of Maryland, College Park, please call the Orientation Office. Again, congratulations and welcome!

Sincerely,

Gerry Strumpf Director

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