

"The UMBC-Erickson partnership represents a true public-private partnership based on the research and public policy strengths of the university and the leading innovator in the senior housing and care industry. It's the right place of the field whose time has come."

-FutureAge Magazine, LeadingAge





UMBC

"UMBC and The Erickson School embody excellence in the best of ways. We have come to understand the aging process as a developmental process, we understand more and more about the strengths of an aging population, we provide leaders who know what it is to manage an organization and public policies, and how they might go about really helping to influence the way our society treats people from different ages. There's a kind of wisdom that this population has that is amazing."

– Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, UMBC President

Undergraduate

UMBC's liberal arts foundation is at the core of the MAgS program. The undergraduate degree aims to prepare students for entry level professional positions aided by a strong knowledge base and thorough understanding of contemporary societal issues. With research opportunity and leadership skill-building, students are immersed in critical thinking scenarios to provide solutions to the Longevity Economy.

Graduate

The Master's program at The Erickson School is designed for students to build on their foundations, to embrace an entrepreneurial spirit and develop innovative ideas to meet the challenges of a diverse aging demographic. Led by faculty with real world experience, the courses consider challenges and opportunities from many different perspectives. It is truly transformative for both the students and their organizations. The strong Erickson School alumni network uses what they have learned to reshape the world of aging.

Professional Education

The Erickson School goes beyond and continues to offer opportunities to educate professionals in relevant issues including workforce development, dementia, and memory care.

- Summits
- Certificates
- Workshops



History

The Erickson School began with a vision of creating a new generation of aging services professionals to lead the 21st century. In 2006, Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, President of UMBC, and John Erickson, Founder of Erickson Retirement communities, partnered to create the Erickson School to prepare leaders to innovate and change society from the inside out.



Career

The career opportunities are growing, and there will be many jobs in the "business of aging." The aging demographic is increasingly diverse and will demand a variety of options and choices. The Longevity Economy will generate new career paths, opportunity, and entrepreneurship.