

# Questions for COMMUNITY AND EXTENDED CONNECTION

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What personnel, technology, and other resources are necessary to create a campus-wide system to record and track partnerships and engagement with the community, as well as evaluate their effectiveness and impact for diverse constituencies [e.g., faculty, students, community partners, surrounding neighborhoods, the state, and the region]?

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How can UMBC develop research and educational partnerships with government agencies at the federal, State, and local levels to retain and expand existing businesses and to support the development of new ones that stimulate innovation and economic growth?

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How can UMBC better encourage, motivate, build the capacity of, and reward faculty, staff, and students for their facilitation and leadership of extended connections and partnerships?

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How can UMBC be a more effective partner with economically underserved communities to solve complex social and environmental problems?

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How can UMBC more effectively communicate contributions, successes, and achievements that benefit the region to on-campus and off-campus audiences [e.g., alumni, current and future students, government officials, community partners, and businesses]?

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What are the best practices for fostering, developing, and sustaining productive partnerships on and off campus that peer universities have employed, and from which we might learn?

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How can partnerships be developed to further enhance the UMBC experience?

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How can UMBC build upon and maximize our growing and evolving campus, community, and regional partnerships that foster economic and cultural growth? Specifically, how can UMBC build upon the success of campus centers and academic and co-curricular initiatives that have fostered relationships off campus with alumni, community partners, and cultural organizations? What are the weaknesses within these initiatives that could be strengthened?