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This past July marked the 36th year for Baltimore’s Artscape festival, held in the neighborhoods surrounding UB. The three-day annual event attracts more than 350,000 attendees. Featured are visual art exhibits and live performances highlighting the work of more than 150 artists, including painters, sculptors, photographers, dancers, and musicians.

UB’s unique contribution to the festivities is Gamescape, a program showcasing video games and the creative people who produce them. Held in Gordon Plaza, Gamescape gives visitors the opportunity to browse and interact with selected new games from local and national developers, as well as revisit a few classic favorites.
Dear UB Alumni and Friends:

Sometimes we don’t recognize moments of lasting importance in our lives while they are happening. A chance conversation may cause you to view a problem as an opportunity. Hearing a story about someone you disagree with may help you to see that you have more in common than you previously thought. Seemingly small moments can have an enormous impact in how we see the world around us.

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Sincerely,

Kurt L. Schmoke
President, University of Baltimore
To paraphrase poet-activist Maya Angelou, we are more alike than we are unalike. Three scholars in the Merrick School of Business are embracing those commonalities as they study how lessons from entrepreneurs across the globe may benefit those here at home.

Ven Sriram, professor of marketing and chair of the Department of Marketing and Entrepreneurship; Tigineh Mersha, professor of management; and David Lingelbach, associate professor of entrepreneurship, are collaborating to conduct research in Africa. In the process, they hope to discover ideas that are translatable to challenges faced by startup founders in Baltimore and other cities.

Africa has not gotten the research attention that it deserves, says Sriram. “African countries are among the fastest-growing in the world, and many are transitioning from government-managed to more private economies. So there are a wealth of opportunities for entrepreneurs,” he explains. “In addition, Africans who have emigrated to the United States, Canada, and Europe are going back to their home countries to start businesses, helping to build those economies and provide employment.”

Topics the researchers are exploring include African social enterprises, innovative financing and women entrepreneurs. “Women in Africa often have small businesses, such as producing handicrafts or raising livestock, to help make ends meet,” Mersha explains. “Here in the U.S. low wage earners and those whose hours of employment can vary might seek similar supplemental income, such as driving for Uber. So we’re interested to learn more.”

The trio’s collaborations are especially fruitful because they represent different business perspectives, says Lingelbach. “We’re a good team because we don’t reinforce each other’s biases,” he explains. “Ven’s specialty area has been marketing, Tigi’s business operations and mine is entrepreneurship, especially in emerging economies. And we have concentrated on a variety of countries as well, including Botswana, South Africa, Zambia, Senegal, Ghana, Ethiopia and Nigeria.”

Individually and collectively the trio has produced a variety of publications and conference presentations. Upcoming projects include a scholarly book series on African entrepreneurship. Plus the team is currently developing the UB Center for the Study of Emerging Market Entrepreneurship (CSEME). CSEME’s intended area of focus is entrepreneurship in developing and emerging economies and its potential for application in the U.S. “We are excited to create a new venture to promote and support this research, both here at UB and in collaboration with other institutions,” says Lingelbach.

Bringing Lessons Back Home
by Paula Novash

The January Global Field Study trip to Ghana, West Africa, immersed 13 UB students in a new culture as they learned about the challenges of local IT entrepreneurs. A collaboration with the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), the venture gave students and their GIMPA colleagues opportunities to work together on projects at four digital start-ups in Accra.

The trip was designed by Eusebio Scornavacca, Parsons Professor for Digital Communication, Commerce and Culture in the Merrick School of Business. Addressing cases presented by Ghanaian companies encouraged students to approach problems from new perspectives, Scornavacca says. “We excel at developing real-life case studies in the business school,” he explains. “But it was particularly challenging for our students to solve problems in a completely new business environment. We learned so much from our Ghanaian colleagues.”

Students’ overseas experiences are always valuable, Scornavacca adds, but Africa is one of the most interesting places to apply their knowledge. “Digital entrepreneurs are thriving there—countries like Ghana and Kenya are places where you can see simple digital technologies making a huge socio-economic impact. We are definitely going back.”

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**From Here To There**
by Emily Brungo

Like many UB students, Alexis Ramdass, B.S. ’17, juggled multiple responsibilities along with her international business and social entrepreneurship classes. Now she’s settling into her first post-college job as staff assistant in the U.S. State Department’s Office of Development Finance. She’s looking forward to supporting her department’s work in developing countries, plus “I’m especially excited about the potential for foreign travel in this job,” she says.

Ramdass believes her UB experiences helped prepare her for her current success. “I’m definitely using tools from my work and internships,” she says. “And I also learned from my classmates. Some of them had been in the business world for 20 years and it built my confidence to interact with them.”

Here are some ways Ramdass spent her days during her senior year and the insights she gained:

- **Intern at The Samaritan Woman**, a nonprofit that offers shelter and resources to victims of domestic human trafficking: “Their work inspired me to seek out an organization that makes a difference for people. I helped with coordinating projects and events, developing skills I use in my job today.”

- **UB Global Field Study trips to the Philippines and Thailand**: “I wanted to learn more about other cultures and ways to support people around the world.”

- **Working as an independent travel agent**: “I had to plan my time well to fit the work in. I would travel every day if I could—my goal is to visit 20 countries by age 30.” (At 22, she’s already crossed 13 off her list, including Argentina, Morocco and Jamaica.)

- **Pathways intern at the U.S. State Department**: “This opportunity led to my current position. The Pathways program offers paid internships to students exploring careers in the federal government.”

**Making (Virtual) History**
by Stacey Marriott, M.A.’11

Exploring an historic sailing ship gave Sujan Shrestha a modern idea. He was aboard the topsail schooner **Lady Maryland**, a replica of a vessel that from colonial times transported cargo along the eastern seaboard.

“The Living Classrooms Foundation uses **Lady Maryland** to engage students in the craft and environmental sustainability of shipbuilding,” explains Shrestha, assistant professor in the College of Arts and Sciences’ Division of Science, Information Arts and Technologies. “I thought, what if we could deploy 3-D virtual reality (VR) technology to help people understand how historic ships were constructed and used?”

The resulting project, informally titled **Baltimore’s Ships**, is engaging Shrestha and his students in creating 3-D models of historic ships as part of a simulation game they are developing for K-12 students. Producing a VR game optimized for teaching requires an exceptional combination of skills, says Shrestha. “Besides understanding the mathematics and logic of technical design, the students immerse themselves into details and stories of the historic period,” he explains. “They become specialists in engineering practices, the region’s available materials and environmental influences.”

Baltimore’s Ships is a product of UB’s GameLab, established in 2006 as a space where students and scholars develop educational tools and solutions to real-world problems through games and simulation. The lab offers a variety of technologies such as the UB-student constructed CAVE automatic VR environment for creating virtual interactive experiences. CAVE is used alongside tools for digital imaging, graphic design, mapping and game development.

The team anticipates that Baltimore’s Ships will be ready for launch in 2018. Says Shrestha, who is beginning outreach efforts to distribute the game in area schools and museums, “It’s extremely satisfying to be able to use sophisticated technology to bring the Baltimore tradition of shipbuilding and the city’s maritime history to life.”

**Donor Dollars at Work**
At Home And Abroad

Serving as moderator at the premiere of a major documentary film and participating on an international panel in Paris with former Homeland Security director Tom Ridge, in the midst of preparing for a new semester of teaching courses here at UB! It’s all in a day’s work for Ivan Sancha Sheehan, associate professor and director of the negotiations and conflict management and global affairs and human security programs within the College of Public Affairs.

Sheehan admits that juggling events and teaching can be challenging but says his instruction and fieldwork are interrelated. “Being able to make subjects come to life for students uses the same skill set that’s needed to communicate with legislators,” he explains. “They’re both balancing many things and want to get up to speed in a limited time.”

Being a key contributor to events such as the Washington, D.C., premiere of National Geographic’s Hell on Earth: The Fall of Syria and the Rise of ISIS is the case in most major cities, is a wonderful opportunity, says Sheehan. After the documentary’s debut, he moderated the discussion with its film-makers, New York Times bestselling author Sebastian Junger and Emmy award-winner Nick Quested. The film deals with one of his areas of focus—the conflict in Syria—but he emphasizes that international affairs have local implications as well.

“There’s a temptation to look outward, with the assumption that there is only conflict somewhere else,” Sheehan says. “But the discontent that exists among populations trapped by authoritarian regimes is not wholly unfamiliar to students from Baltimore, some of whom have experienced unfair scrutiny by law enforcement or have overcome circumstances that made it challenging for them to realize their full potential.”

Sheehan says he works with students who are particularly sensitive to these dynamics in a local context. “It puts them in a very competitive position when they graduate, because they understand how matters they face at home might compel others to engage in conflict or seek structural change. If they can deliver their insights in a clear and compelling way, then they have an opportunity to make their voices heard and make a difference both at home and abroad.”

Help To Live Safely And Well

A documentary about a case in many cities, lower-income tenants in Baltimore often face unhealthy and even hazardous living situations. If they choose to seek legal action due to unresponsive landlords, little help is available because court-appointed attorneys aren’t provided for civil cases in Maryland. And research conducted at UB has shown that those who represent themselves in court often don’t achieve the protections they are entitled to under the law.

Enter UB’s new Navigator Pilot Program, directed by Michele Cotton, associate professor in the Division of Legal, Ethical and Historical Studies. “Once we realized the legal problems and obstacles faced by people asking for remedies for unsafe living conditions, we thought, what can we do?” Cotton says.

With Cotton’s assistance, undergraduate, graduate and law students—called “navigators”—help unrepresented tenants through the legal process. The cases they focus on involve people dealing with conditions such as a lack of heat or water, vermin infestations and unhealthy leaks and mold.

Before beginning their work in the Baltimore District Court, navigators receive extensive training via coursework and online sessions, in addition to face-to-face role-playing. “They learn how the court operates, typical steps for these types of cases, and what they are able to do to help unrepresented individuals,” Cotton explains. Navigators provide information about legal options, accompany tenants into the courtroom and to negotiating sessions, and help with paperwork and organization.

“The students learn about the legal profession from direct observation and spending time with lawyers and judges at the courthouse,” adds Cotton. “They’re developing critical, evaluative and reflective thinking skills and are involved in hands-on problem solving.”

The pilot program is modeled on a similar initiative that has been operating successfully in New York City for several years, but UB students are the first to assume a navigator role in Maryland’s courts. Eventually organizers plan to expand the program to include students from other colleges and to address a wider variety of cases.

Cotton, who is taking a semester-long sabbatical to get the program up and running, will teach the training courses and be on site at the courthouse with the student navigators. “We believe strongly in the potential of this program,” she says. “We’re serving Baltimore and its residents by helping the law accomplish what it’s meant to.”

In November, the UB faculty and staff recognition program—the Board of Regents’ Faculty Awards—honored 35 faculty members for their outstanding contributions to teaching, scholarship, research, service, creative activity and community service.

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UB Professors Honored With Regents’ Faculty Awards

Three University of Baltimore faculty members are 2017 recipients of University System of Maryland Regents’ Faculty awards. The honorees are C. Alan Lyles, professor in the School of Health and Human Services and the School of Public and International Affairs in the College of Public Affairs; Renita L. Sudhakar, associate professor in the School of Criminal Justice in the College of Public Affairs; and Angela M. Valtierra, associate professor in the School of Law.

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By the Numbers

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How do students who live in the Washington, D.C., area make it to their UB classes in 20 minutes or less? By attending those classes at the Universities at Shady Grove. Undergraduates and graduate students in selected UB majors can choose to pursue their degrees on the Shady Grove campus in Rockville, Md. UB students aren’t the only ones benefiting from the location, which is a cooperative venture. The campus is home to nine universities in the University System of Maryland and offers 86 degree programs to 4,000-plus students. Each of the partner institutions has its own offices on campus, its own dedicated faculty teaching classes, and each awards its own degrees. It’s an innovative model for higher education: Sharing classroom spaces, services and facilities is an economical way for universities to provide additional educational opportunities without investing in stand-alone campuses.

Silver Spring resident Joel Landy completed his associate’s degree at Montgomery College before transferring to UB to major in Simulation and Game Design. “It was an easy decision for me; I wanted a game simulation program and UB’s is great,” he recalls. “And having the option to take my classes at Shady Grove made it convenient as well.”

Now a senior, Landy works in Shady Grove’s Office of Student Services. He also serves as an orientation leader for new students, and is UB’s representative to the student government organization and a regular contributor to the campus blog, Around the Grove. “I like the mix of students here and there’s always some event going on,” he says.

Shady Grove’s environmentally green campus offers not only activities, but comprehensive facilities and services. Built around a central courtyard with banners from the nine universities flying overhead, it features state-of-the-art smart classrooms and computer labs as well as a library, café, fitness center and bookstore. On-campus services include internships, academic advising, job placement, career coaching and financial aid (well over $1 million in scholarship money was awarded in 2016, from more than 50 different scholarship programs).

Haoua Welsh, B.S. ’17 grew up in Ivory Coast, West Africa, and recalls her father’s advice that “education should be your first priority.” But returning to school after many years of traveling and working internationally seemed daunting. “Originally I was not confident—I had been out of school for 40 years,” Welsh says. “But after achieving her associate’s degree from Montgomery College while working there full-time and maintaining grades that kept her on the Dean’s List, she entered UB’s Health Systems Management program at Shady Grove to complete her undergraduate degree.

Welsh graduated magna cum laude in spring 2017. “Now I’m strongly considering a Master’s program,” Welsh says. “Shady Grove has worked out so well for me. It’s 15 minutes from my home and has all of the resources I need.”

Welsh was recently honored at Shady Grove’s 2017 Student Achievement and Leadership Breakfast, where 27 graduating seniors from the various universities were recognized for their academic achievement, commitment to serve the community and drive to excel. “At age 67, it was especially enjoyable and satisfying to be on the stage with much younger students, some of whom I worked with at Montgomery College,” she says.

Adds Landy, “Because classes are small, you get to know the people in your program especially well. We have a great group.” And those connections continue: “I made sure to get to the Baltimore campus last summer for Gamescape, to support alumni from my program and see their projects.”
Contributing To The Conversation
by Paula Novash

For almost a century, UB has helped shape Baltimore’s cityscape and neighborhoods. And the university contributes to the city’s history in another vital way: as a place where scholars and others can learn about Baltimore’s past and how it has impacted the city we live in today.

Langsdale Library’s Special Collections department houses a treasure trove of archival materials. “Our collections document the city’s civic organizations, social movements, demographic shifts and other events that have influenced Baltimore over the last 500-plus years,” explains Aiden Faust, head of Special Collections.

The archives consist of more than 8,000 Banking & Commerce's type boxes of correspondence, newspaper clippings, objects and more. Among those who utilize the collections are academicians and professionals in fields including law, politics, government and social activism, as well as the general public.

And now, through a new fellowship opportunity at Langsdale, three sponsored scholars are focusing their research around one specialized grouping of materials, the Baltimore Regional Studies Archives. These archives consist of 153 separate collections gathered around the theme of social inequality, covering topics that include urban renewal, segregation in housing, economic development, the War on Poverty, law enforcement and social services.

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In its second year, the three-monthArchival Research Scholars program awards up to $5,000 in a summer employment contract plus work space in the library to successful applicants. Once they have completed their summer residencies, fellows present their findings at a public colloquium organized by Langsdale.

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2017 Archival Research Scholars

Fellow Elyshia Aseltine is investigating aspects of law enforcement in Baltimore, including the development of the pioneering Maryland Law Enforcement Officer’s Bill of Rights. She’s using an archive of a statewide criminal justice committee that operated from the early 1970s to the 1990s. “Many of the committee’s leaders held high-ranking positions in Baltimore law enforcement for decades,” Aseltine explains. “So they were important players in how police-community relations developed in the city.”

An associate professor in the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice at Towson University, Aseltine is working on a book about the history of law enforcement in Baltimore. “Conditions and events here parallel those in other cities such as Detroit and St. Louis, so I’m also exploring that larger context,” she says.

UB doctoral student Lyndsay Bates, M.A. '13, is utilizing records from the nonprofit Charles Center—Inner Harbor Management Inc. to conduct research for her DPA dissertation. She’s investigating how the development of Baltimore’s central business district affected minority housing and minority businesses in surrounding neighborhoods. Bates is fitting 20-30 hours of research per week around her full-time job as an academic program specialist in the Klein Family School of Communications Design.

“If I’m not at work, I’m in the library,” she says. “But I’m enjoying the process—the archives are fascinating and provide insights into how Baltimore is developing now.”

Lawrence Brown, associate professor in the School of Community Health and Policy at Morgan State University, is studying the impact of forced racial displacement in Baltimore due to federally subsidized programs such as the construction of public housing units. Using records from the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency, Brown has calculated that between 1937-70 more than 10,000 black families that included well over 25,000 multigenerational members were moved out of their communities.

“What I’m finding helps explain why many Baltimore neighborhoods aren’t doing better in areas of community health,” Brown explains. “As the traditional village construct of those communities was upended, we’ve witnessed increasing violence, substance abuse and addiction, and emotional trauma.” Brown is using his findings to write his book The Black Butterfly: Why We Must Dismantle Baltimore’s Apartheid and Make Black Neighborhoods Matter.

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Barry connected with the nonprofit through the Community Development Fellowship program at the suggestion of Roger Hartley, dean of UB’s College of Public Affairs. “The Community Development Fellowship program offers students the opportunity to use their leadership skills to add capacity and change to Baltimore City neighborhoods, and it aligns with UB’s mission to provide students with hands-on, real-world experiences,” says Hartley.

The program launched in spring 2016 with a Fund for Excellence seed grant from the University of Baltimore Foundation, and Barry became the program’s first fellow. His duties included collecting and managing data and providing valuable administrative support to Belair-Edison staff. When he graduated with his master’s in public administration, the nonprofit offered him a full-time position as its social impact measurement specialist.

Now he works with volunteers to create events and activities to meet the needs of Belair-Edison residents. One example is a public safety forum in which residents, law enforcement officers and city leaders engage in public safety and crime prevention initiatives.

Barry says he feels lucky: “Working to help residents and invest in the Belair-Edison neighborhood is very satisfying. I didn’t expect it to be so easy to find a career I love.”
Thirty years ago a $3,000 scholarship helped make it possible for Laura Margulies, J.D. ’88, to attend law school. At the time she was a single mother of three and the award covered her entire tuition bill.

Now Laura and her husband, physician Sheldon Margulies, J.D. ’88, are giving the same helping hand to others by creating the Laura and Sheldon Margulies Scholarship Fund. The award was established in 2015 to provide financial assistance to a single parent attending the University of Baltimore School of Law. This year’s recipient is Fantasia Webb, a first-generation college student now pursuing her law degree.

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The couple is familiar with how versatile a law degree can be. When they met at UB, Laura was working as a high school and adult education teacher, but she had always been interested in law and knew it could be a more lucrative career to help her raise her family. Sheldon, a neurologist at the University of Maryland, decided to pursue his J.D. after helping a medical colleague analyze a legal case. He squeezed his law school classes into an already full schedule of seeing patients and teaching neurology and clinical skills to medical school students. Though Sheldon has never practiced as an attorney, he’s applied his legal training as an expert medical witness and written several textbooks, including Learning the Law.

While the Margulieses weren’t in the same course of study, Sheldon happened to attend a guest lecture in one of Laura’s classes and the two were introduced by the professor, a mutual friend. They were married a few months later and had two more children together.

After graduation, Laura worked first as a clerk in the appellate court and then as an attorney at large firms in Baltimore and Washington, D.C. In 1993, she started her own firm specializing in bankruptcy law and also became a professor, author and lecturer. She sold her practice in 2017 and has been a Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee for the last five years. Sheldon continued his medical practice; now retired from neurology, he currently works on curriculum development for primary and secondary schools.

According to Sheldon, Laura’s experience motivated her to find a way to provide opportunities for current students. “Laura has always been grateful for what happened to her and this is a manifestation of that,” he explains. “She knows that there are others who are in the same situation.”

“When I was in law school I never thought I would have the wherewithal to create a scholarship,” says Laura. “But thanks to her successful career and with Sheldon’s support, she’s now able to support and encourage others. “The financial assistance I received was so meaningful to me,” she says. “It thought it was appropriate that I pay that forward.”

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MARYLAND, like the nation, is in crisis. In 2016, 2,089 Marylanders died of drug and alcohol-related deaths, an increase of 66 percent over the previous year and triple what the number was in 2010. These alarming statistics are driven by increased mortality from opioid use, which accounted for 89 percent of these deaths, according to the Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene. The new Center for Drug Policy and Enforcement (CDPE) at the University of Baltimore intends to be an agent of positive change against a problem that has grown to untenable proportions.
The creation of the CDPE was announced in March. Part of the College of Public Affairs, the center sits where policy and policing meet the reality of the opioid epidemic. Through the CDPE, UB will apply scientific research and best practices to combat the issues that contribute to the drug-related violence and addiction ravaging communities across America.

"The Center for Drug Policy and Enforcement will enhance the social justice agenda promoted by our College of Public Affairs by helping to address a multitude of problems associated with substance abuse," says Kurt L. Schmoke, UB President. "We expect research from the center to offer both short term and long term solutions to this challenging societal dilemma."

DATA AS A WEAPON
Executive director Tom Carr is leading the CDPE. A retired lieutenant colonel in the Maryland State Police, Carr also leads the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), a federal grant program that is the cornerstone of the CDPE.

The HIDTAs—there are 28 throughout the country—are administered by the White House and provide resources to federal, state and local agencies with the goal of reducing drug trafficking and production. The Washington/ Baltimore HIDTA began in 1995 to serve Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, and parts of West Virginia, and was previously housed at the University of Maryland College Park as the Center for Safe Solutions. Carr explains that it makes sense for HIDTA to move to UB because of the school’s location, the public service mission of the College of Public Affairs and the school’s commitment to applied research.

"It's a real opportunity for the University of Baltimore and its faculty and students to get more engaged with the community, more involved with serious problems communities all over the region are facing, and to apply sound research and methods to these problems and come up with meaningful solutions," Carr states.

The weapon of choice in this war on drugs might seem innocuous: it’s data. Yet data, Carr explains, is fundamental to effective policing and policymaking. By collecting and analyzing relevant information and translating it into predictive analysis, both law enforcement and policymakers can develop evidence-based strategies rather than being reactionary.

One example is the Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program (ODMAP) developed by HIDTA. The mobile-based application lets first responders log incidents of overdoses with the push of a button, and this information is then mapped and analyzed. When a spike in overdose incidents is detected an email is automatically generated and sent to the affected community. Analysis has shown that a spike in overdoses in one community will likely mean a spike in another community, so in those instances communities along the drug’s route are also notified. By mapping these overdoses, law enforcement and public health officials can anticipate and prepare for overdose spikes before they happen. Developing the potential of ODMAP will be on the nascent CDPE’s agenda.

POWER OF POSITION
For years, drugs and addiction have been pigeonholed: drugs were bad things done by flawed people. Particularly as opioid use has surged out of inner cities into well-to-do suburban and urban neighborhoods, those old prejudices have started to deteriorate. With the CDPE, Carr sees an opportunity to look holistically at the challenges of drug activity by addressing the myriad factors that play a role in drugs’ persistence, including sociology, education, treatment, invention, government policy, public health and enforcement.

Roger Hartley, dean of the College of Public Affairs, explains that this is why UB is such an ideal partner for the CDPE.

"The issue of drug policy and public policy hits every facet of the College of Public Affairs and its schools: we do criminal justice, we do health and human services, and we do public administration and global affairs," Hartley states. "Each one of our three schools has a unique fit as well as something to say and something to gain from having a center like this at UB working on such a critical issue."

The creation of the CDPE is a win for everyone, says Hartley. Because HIDTA is a known and respected entity with a long history, having it at the heart of the CDPE will provide UB an opportunity to network with state and federal officials at the highest level. Simultaneously, UB will be able to bring its academic strength and its partner institutions in academia to CDPE, creating a truly multi-disciplinary, multi-regional approach to drug-related issues. The collaboration will also be a powerful force for attracting new grants.

"As dean, I have the opportunity to build out the academic side of this center," says Hartley. "There have already been and will continue to be opportunities for our faculty to collaborate with the staff at HIDTA and these are incredible opportunities for students to intern and perhaps even find career paths at CDPE."

A GROWING FIELD
Hartley has every reason to expect student and faculty interest in the collaboration between CDPE and the College of Public Affairs. Addiction and its related challenges has infiltrated almost every echelon of society, so few people can say they haven’t been touched by it in some way.

Robert Neuman, B.A., ’15, is one such student. Currently 51, Neuman was previously a chef until an injury caused him to retire with a disability. He then decided to return to school; he is currently enrolled in the Masters of Public Administration program. But that’s not his entire story.

After the injury that caused his disability, Neuman (who has a self-described family history of substance abuse) had easy access to opioid use. Luckily, he says, he got into treatment and has been in recovery for nine years. But his experience changed his career trajectory, and after he got clean and returned to school he discovered at UB a passion for researching drug policy.

Then he happened to see a news story about the CDPE in his Twitter feed. "I immediately messaged [Hartley] through Facebook and said I wanted to get involved," he recalls. "I said I don’t care what I have to do, I’ll fetch coffee if I have to, but I want to be a part of this.

“I understand how fortunate I am to be one of the individuals who suffers from this disease of addiction who’s no longer using drugs, and have been able to become a productive member of society,” Neuman continues. “I know the problem…I’m one of those statistics where this has impacted me, and it continues to impact my family.”

Neuman’s role at CDPE is evolving as the center grows, though it currently involves research and special projects. His primary interest lies in gathering data on individual outcomes after drug treatment—information that is surprisingly hard to find now—and analyzing the data in order to create more effective treatment methodologies. But he’s ready to work on anything relevant to his progress toward a career as a policy health analyst.

"It’s exciting for me to have a broad spectrum of opportunities,” he states. “This is such a new field and it’s exciting to be here building something from the ground up. I want to be part of that.”

OPTIMISM FOR THE FUTURE
The CDPE is in its infancy, but it’s growing quickly. There are already plans for an opioid summit next spring to gather regional leadership and public health officials to look at the issue of rapid response strategies to overdose spikes. There is also discussion about creating a certificate program in criminal intelligence that could evolve into a degree program.

Long-term, Hartley is enthusiastic about building faculty capacity. He hopes to create student fellowships and perhaps even endowed chairs. He has every reason to believe the CDPE will grow into a major place of research and policymaking that will showcase the College of Public Affairs as a preeminent place of study in the United States.

He also sees reason to hope that the work of the CDPE can have a real and positive impact on issues such as drug trafficking, drug use and violent crimes. "UB sits at the epicenter of the heroin and addiction problem in Baltimore, where this has been a problem for a very, very long time," says Hartley. "For UB to partner with the center and work on this problem in the city is a symbolic victory."

"My hope," he continues, “is that through forums and policy summits we can bring people together and start working on this here in the city. And if we can solve the problem here in Baltimore, we can solve it anywhere.”

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About 20% of the more than 500,000 veterans residing in Maryland in 2017 already receive some sort of VA benefit, and many more are eligible. But applying for benefits can be an arduous process: veterans who file disability claims with the VA wait six months or more for an initial hearing. And according to a 2016 report issued by the VA, if those claims are denied the average wait time for a veteran’s appeal to be considered is four to five years.

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When Takia Ross, B.A. ‘11, was a teenager, she would borrow her mother’s work outfits and wear them to school. “I loved watching women in business suits and sneakers get on the Light Rail,” she recalls. “I thought, ‘I want to be one of them.’”

Now, at 38, Ross is a successful entrepreneur. Her business, Accessmatized, provides makeup artistry for models, photo shoots, weddings, galas, professional speakers and anyone who wants to look and feel prettier. “All women are beautiful,” Ross says, “and my job is to enhance it. Not to camouflage flaws but to highlight things women love about their face.”

A single mother of three, Ross started her business by accident after parlaying her UB degree in history into teaching at Morgan State University and at the Community College of Baltimore County. “Makeup was a hobby—I wasn’t allowed to wear it when I was a teenager, so I sneaked and applied it in the high school bathroom,” she recalls. “In my 20s, it became a way to express myself. I wasn’t afraid to use glitter, top lashes on the bottom—why not?”

Students, friends and relatives began to ask her to “gussy them up” for special events. “I come from a family of 108 here in Baltimore, and they’d tell people, ‘My cousin does makeup.’” Initially reluctant to accept payment, Ross says she eventually realized, “Ma’am, you have a business!” She launched Accessmatized from her home in 2013. But concepts like cash flow and balance sheet had her stumped, so she entered her first business plan competition—and won $1,000. Ross dreamed of a vehicle outfitted with supplies and equipment so she wouldn’t have to lug 50 pounds of lights and makeup to every client appointment. Using winnings from competitions, she was able to create her Pretty Mobile traveling studio, a colorful 16-passenger bus with makeup stations, a dressing room and refreshment area.

Her next step was to open a 624-foot brick-and-mortar location in Baltimore; her space on Russell Street houses a makeup studio as well as a location for Ross to coach women who want to turn their skills into a business. “So many already have a business and don’t know it,” she says. “There’s the lady you go to when you need a baby quilt, or a wedding cake or homemade jam. I help them formalize details and learn about social media marketing.”

“I didn’t know I could pull off something of this magnitude,” she continues. “I’m the happiest I’ve ever been.”

Ross says her mother, whose business clothes she once borrowed, is very proud of her daughter’s success. Although, she adds with a laugh, “To this day, she does not put on makeup.”

A Successful Makeover

Takia Ross, B.A. ’11

by Vicki Meade
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1960s


Alicea Peace von Lossberg, B.S. ’66, retired from the United States Tennis Association – Mid Atlantic Section in March.

1970s


Andrew Georgelakos, J.D. ’72, retired after 17 years as principal and managing partner of KLEIN, LLC, on June 30.

Meyer Simon, J.D. ’74, is the chair of the Fee Dispute Committee and the General Practice Committee of the Montgomery (Pennsylvania) Bar Association, effective January 1.

Robert Lewis Davis, J.D. ’78, was named commissioner of the Bank Examining Division of the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Commonwealth in February.

1980s

Susan R. Green, J.D. ’83, was named one of 2017’s Women Who Move Maryland by Baltimore Magazine in February.

Martin J. Miller, MBA ’88, vice president and financial advisor at BB&T Scott Stringfield in Richmond, Virginia, developed a socially responsible Jewish investment strategy. The Shalom Trust, which is available to retail and institutional investors.

1990s

Paula A. Price, J.D. ’92, was appointed judge to the Circuit Court of Somerset County, Maryland, in January.

Caroline D. Ciraco, LL.M. ’94, joined Kostolacz & Fish in May as partner and founder of the firm’s Washington, D.C., office.

Dianna N. Formaro, M.A. ’95, was elected to the Board of Directors for the Public Relations Society of America, Maryland Chapter, effective January 1.

Nathan DiNatale, B.S. ’95, is the chair of the American Institute of CPAs’ Business Valuation Committee for 2016-2017.

Todd A. Fuerstern, MBA ’96, presented two sessions at the Construction Financial Management Association’s 2017 Annual Conference and Exhibition in Phoenix, Arizona, in June.

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Melissa Boyd, J.D. ’99, moderated a panel discussion at the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s Family Law Section Winter Meeting in Philadelphia in January. She also volunteered her skills to act as faculty for a program entitled “Child Custody: Practice Readily Skilled in a Flipped Classroom.”

2000s


Joy Koller, M.S. ’03, was promoted to court administrator for Dorchester and Somerset (Maryland) Circuit Courts in January.

Marcela García-Kastil, B.A. ’04, was promoted to international program principal at Keystone International Schools in Istanbul, Turkey, in January.

M. Trent Dekovich, J.D. ’06, was named a partner of Whitford, Taylor & Preston, effective in January.

2010s

Ashley B. Carter, J.D. ’08, was elected at-large member of the District of Columbia State Board of Education in January.

Warren E. Haynes, D.P.A., ’01, became the new director of the University of Central Missouri’s Lee’s Summit in July.

Jessica L. Phillips, J.D. ’12, was named one of the 2017 Maryland Super Lawyers Rising Stars in January.

Jaime D. Casley, J.D. ’12, was selected to create and teach a course entitled “Employment Relations in Sports” for the new Rutgers University Global Sports Business Master’s program. Jaime also teaches two undergraduate classes at Rutgers and is an attorney at the National Labor Relations Board – Region 29 Brooklyn, New York, office. Jaime married Seth Schifman on February 10.

Kate E. Wolfson, J.D. ’14, became program manager of the STEPNE Future Leaders program at the Center for Urban Families in Baltimore in January.

Nathaniel I. Fissel, M.S. ’15, was appointed to the Tax Committee of Allianz Global in 2017.

Antonio L. Mason, B.S. ’14, received the 2017 Baltimore Ravens Touchdown Teacher of the Year award in May.

Verlando Brown, M.S. ’15, was among 28 individuals under 28 featured in February in an NBC News series called SECELEBRATE. Brown is the program coordinator at the Johns Hopkins Urban Health Institute, planning events, programs and logistics around social issues in Baltimore.

Khalil R. England, MBA ’17, was featured on the television show “First Time Flippers” on the DIY Network in April.

Baby Bee Announcements

UB proudly welcomes the newest members of our University family—Baby Bees! Moms- and dads-to-be, let us know when your little one arrives, and we’ll send you a Baby Bee bib, courtesy of the UB Alumni Association. We look forward to receiving more photos of your new additions sporting their Baby Bee bibs and will include them in the magazine as space permits.

Matthew Goldberg, J.D. ’04, and his wife, Lisa, announce the arrival of Molly Shoshana on February 26. They live in Louisville, Kentucky, where Matthew is the director of the Jewish Community Relations Council.

Robert Leonard, J.D. ’07, and Mary McClintock, J.D. ’08, welcomed their first child, Eddie, on January 20.

Jennifer Smith, B.S. ’04, and her husband, Earl, welcomed their daughter, Zoey, on October 6, 2015.

UB Love Stories

Alan Tsao, B.S. ’11, and Sonya Sadjadi Tsao, B.S. ’11, M.A. ’13, J.D. ’17, were married on July 11, 2015. Alan is currently pursuing his MBA at UB while following his passion for creating watches as the owner of Tsao Baltimore, a new line of luxury watches.

Michael Azen, B.S. ’10, and Sonya Azen, M.A. ’14, married Ally Teaford on May 20 at the Maryland Zoo. A year prior, they did their engagement photos. “We went to different locations around Maryland, from Baltimore to the Eastern Shore. It took two days to complete and we drove over 700 miles,” says Azen. “All of the locations we went to were very meaningful to us—of course, one of our stops had to be UB!”

“Sonya and I have actually known each other since Middle school. I guess you can say that UB brought us a lot closer! We’re both very excited now that she’s finished law school and the watch company is fully launched. We can finally relax to an extent and possibly do some traveling. We’re planning to go to China in October, Hong Kong in December for a wedding, and maybe Paris in 2018. We both are huge foodies, so finding new food spots and adventures is definitely in our future plans.”

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Congratulations to the University of Baltimore alumni named on The Daily Record’s 2017 list of Influential Marylanders. This award honors individuals who have made a significant impact in their fields and continue to be leaders in Maryland.

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Carla P. Hayden, D.H.L. ’00 (honorary)
Kevin J. Davis, M.S. ’82

Congratulations to the four University of Baltimore alumni and partners of the law firm of Janet, Jenner & Suggs for being selected by National Trial Lawyers magazine as one of the top 25 law firms in the nation.

Howard A. Janet, J.D. ’79
Giles H. Manley, J.D. ’75
Sharon R. Morgan, J.D. ’75
Jason Peenh, J.D. ’75

Congratulations to the University of Baltimore alumni and partners who have been named among Maryland’s Top 100 Women by Baltimore Magazine for making an impact through their leadership, community service, and mentoring.

Shobhre A. Kaynama, MBA ’78
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Beth Hehl, B.S. ’87
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Sheitra A. Thomas, M.A. ’02
Laurel E. Weidbreer, M.P.A. ’06
Katherine A. Pinkard, CERT ’07

Congratulations to the University of Baltimore alumni who were listed among the 2017 winners of the Leadership in Law award by The Daily Record. This award recognizes Maryland lawyers and judges for their outstanding dedication to their occupation and their communities.

Steven K. Fedder, J.D. ’77
Lisa J. Settles, M.P.A. ’94, J.D. ’94
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Peter G. Angelos, LL.B. ’61
(2017 Lifetime Achievement Honoree)
John W. Debelius, III, J.D. ’78
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Eugene R. “Gene” Klompus, J.D. ’67, was part of a special group that traveled to the nation’s capital on May 5 for The Daily Record’s 2017 list of Influential Marylanders. This award recognizes high-achieving Maryland women who are making an impact through their leadership, community service and mentoring.

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Klompus on the day of the Honor Flight.
“What can I do to be memorable? To be better than good?” are questions that Tamika L. Tremaglio, MBA ’95, has always asked herself. Early on, her mother and aunt taught Tremaglio to strive to be amazing, which she defines as “going above and beyond what is expected.” As Deloitte’s Greater Washington managing principal, Tremaglio has done just that. She leads the largest accounting, tax, consulting and audit operation in the D.C. region, overseeing 10,000 tax professionals. In addition, she continues to perform forensic analysis and work with clients.

“There is no typical work day,” she says. “I can be in Brazil one day and Iowa the next. I like to be where our clients are.” Tremaglio notes that her work requires agility. “Deloitte is a professional services firm. We need to be ahead of the curve so that we can serve clients in the best way possible. We need to be responsive and proactive—it’s a rapid pace.” Tremaglio has wanted to be a lawyer since she was five years old. “Even then my father said I had negotiation skills,” she says. She also has a consuming interest in business. And because she was passionate about both pursuits, she obtained her J.D. from the University of Maryland School of Law and her MBA from the University of Baltimore simultaneously. “UB was willing to help figure out the logistics so I could achieve both,” she says. “They could have been closed-minded, but they were supportive and welcoming. I had the best professors and learned so much. Of course, I didn’t sleep much.”

Even now, with an accomplished career, a husband and two teenage boys, striving for balance can be challenging. “I take life in chapters,” she says. “There are times when work takes priority, and other times when family does. I remind myself to be present where I am, and deliberate.”

Mentorship is something Tremaglio makes time for. “It’s a priority for me,” she says. “I look for opportunities to support individuals and groups and am grateful to those who have reached out to me. I’ve had both women of color and white males mentor me. Great mentors don’t need to look like you. It’s about having like characteristics.”

Tremaglio believes that success stems from identifying a passion, whether in art or business. It requires becoming an expert and stretching yourself. She also urges her peers to work on conquering the self-doubt that plagues many successful people. “I remember to pause for a moment and enjoy the journey, “ she says. “Know that you deserve to be there, that you belong and deserve a seat at the table.”

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Little Caesar’s was a UB institution in the mid-1900s. A 1974 issue of UB Magazine said the short order, take-out restaurant “has become a virtual legend among University of Baltimore’s student body.”

In an effort to expand the University footprint, Little Caesar’s and the Pat Hayes Buick building were demolished in 1980 to construct a new law center.

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