

9.1. Science Talent Enhancement Program - Charter

9.1.1. Mission

The Science Talent Expansion Program (STEP) mission is to prepare an increasing number of CWU graduates in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), with particular focus on traditionally underrepresented student populations.

The Science Talent Expansion Program (STEP) addresses a National priority to increase the number of students obtaining science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) degrees at CWU and the number of traditionally underrepresented students (low-income, ethnic and racial minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and first-generation college students) in STEM disciplines by adapting and implementing a model that has generated significant improvements in recruitment, retention, and career placement for African-American students at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County Campus.

9.1.2. Objectives

The Science Talent Enhancement Program will:

- Recruit high-achieving students in traditionally underrepresented (URM)-serving high schools and community colleges
- Provide merit-based support
- Provide an interdisciplinary freshman program with opportunities for academic and social integration
- Involve students in mentoring, teaching and research
- Involve parents to support and motivate student achievement

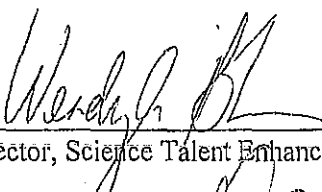
9.1.3. Residence

The Science Talent Enhancement Program resides within the College of the Sciences.

9.1.4. Program Specific Provisions

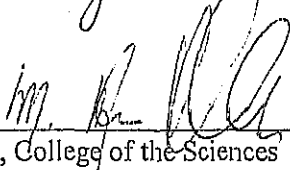
None; University policy pertains.

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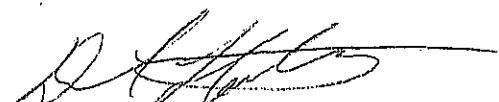
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