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A 42-year-old mathematician who developed a nationally recognized scholarship program for black science majors has been selected as the new president of the University of Maryland's Baltimore County campus.

The university Board of Regents announced yesterday that Freeman A. Hrabowski III will take over as president of the 10,500-student campus immediately.

Hrabowski has served as interim president since September, when Michael K. Hooker left UMBC to head a college system in Massachusetts.

Hrabowski came to the University of Maryland six years ago as a vice provost after spending a decade as a math professor and dean at Coppin State College.

He is credited with starting the Meyerhoff Scholarship Program, a privately funded project to encourage black UMBC students to pursue careers in science and technology.

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