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Jim Golden is nominated for University of Maryland University College (UMUC) Teaching Excellence and Teaching Recognition Awards

Professor Golden is nominated for two separate awards

Rockville, Maryland, August 15, 2011 – Jim Golden, president and CEO of Golden Opportunity is pleased to announce that he has been nominated for UMUC's Stanley L. Drazek Teaching Excellence and a UMUC Teaching Recognition Award. This is Golden's second Drazek nomination and his first teaching recognition award. The winners will be announced in early 2012 and the awards will be given during UMUC 2012 Commencement Ceremonies where Professor Jim Golden will also serve on the Commencement Name Reading Team.

About University of Maryland University College (UMUC):

University of Maryland University College (UMUC) (www.umuc.edu) Founded in 1947, UMUC is one of 11 accredited, degree-granting institutions in the University System of Maryland (USM). Offering a broad range of cutting-edge classes, UMUC has earned a global reputation for excellence as a comprehensive virtual university and for focusing on the unique educational and professional development needs of adult students. Headquartered in Adelphi, Maryland, UMUC has classroom locations in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, Europe and Asia, and provides award-winning online classes to students worldwide.

About Jim B. Golden:

Jim B. Golden, president and CEO of Golden Opportunity, is an experienced and dynamic award winning public speaker, presenter, toastmaster, and college professor, who has a combination of over 25 years of professional and academic experience in the areas of adult and workplace learning, performance and communications.

Jim is a teaching excellence award and teaching recognition (1999 and 2011) nominated faculty member and course chair in the Communications and Writing Department at University of Maryland University College (UMUC) where he teaches face-to-face, hybrid, and online public speaking courses. Jim has received from UMUC, the dean's recognition for outstanding student evaluations. Jim is also a graduate school alumnus of UMUC (1998).

