

# RNL's Impact with the University of Maryland Eastern Shore in Enrollment Management Turnaround

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## Who Are We?



### LaToya Jenkins

Vice President for Enrollment Management & Student Experience

11 years of higher education experience

8 years Corporate Consulting Experience

Areas of expertise:

- Strategic Planning
- Training and Research
- Enrollment Management
- Student Services-Advising
- Student Affairs



## Who Are We?



### **Darryl Isom**

Director of Admissions and Recruitment

15+ years of higher education experience

Areas of expertise:

- Student Services: Admissions, Recruitment, Registrar and Retention, Student Financial Resources Advocate
- Continuing Education & Workforce Development



## **University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES)**



Small, Rural Doctoral University

Located on Maryland's Eastern Shore

Degrees offered - 56 Bachelor's, 14 Master's and 8 Doctoral programs.

Five Schools: Agricultural and Natural Sciences; Business and Technology; Education; Social Sciences and the Arts; Graduate Studies; and Pharmacy and Health Professions.

Stem Focused

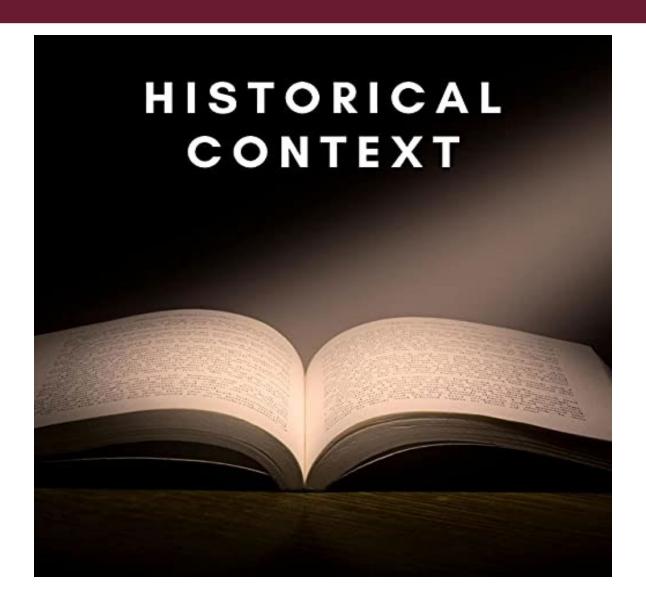
Over 2,500 students enrolled

57.3% female, 42.7% male

80% black, 20% non-black







# RNL & Partnership for Education Advancement (PEA) Relationship



### Fall 2021 - Partnering for Success: History and Introduction



- Supported significant investments in the operational and technical framework
- Funded infrastructure improvements that were cost prohibitive due to historic and systemic underfunding.
- Focused efforts on helping to enhance processes in enrollment, student success, fundraising, and general operations
- Provided strategic, operational solutions that are both immediately employable, and financially and logistically sustainable
- Implement solutions to drive growth (and/or reduce costs) over the long term.
- Facilitated collaboration on shared services to minimize ongoing costs and leverage economies of scale.

# RNL Solutions Help Enhance the University of Maryland Eastern Shore's Strategic Mission



- Self-Assessment started in Fall 2021, we were approached by Partners for Education Advancement
- Required a year-long commitment
- PEA accelerated student search solutions that increased name volume at the top of the funnel and velocity through it so that UMES engaged at every enrollment stage and reached our goals
- PEA's comprehensive full-funnel solution delivered the name sources, digital marketing, advanced analytics, and total flexibility to build the class UMES wanted more efficiently than ever.

# Stakeholder Engagement



- Admissions and Recruitment
- Student Experience
- Financial Aid
- Center for Access and Academic Success (CAAS)

  Summer Bridge Program
- Faculty

Faculty Prospective Student Recruitment Team

Alumni

Alumni Recruitment Team

Campus Leadership

**UMES** President

**Provost** 

# Partnership for Education Advancement (PEA) Relationship



The Essential Playbook: Bringing big ideas and solutions together for student success

# These solutions increased enrollment, retention rates, and lead to higher graduation rates.

PEA's three-tiered approach includes:

- Partnering on a multi-year basis to transform and strengthen our operational infrastructure.
- Provided shared services across UMES to minimize ongoing costs and leverage economies of scale to improve student and institutional outcomes.
- Building an HBCU community of practice with resources, such as playbooks and toolkits, that extends to all HBCUs and the students that they serve



# RNL Solutions Help Enhance the University of Maryland Eastern Shore's Strategic Mission



#### Big benefits at every enrollment stage

Create a continuous engagement process with students and parents at every stage of the enrollment journey



#### PROSPECT Increase volume at the top of the funnel

through comprehensive inquiry generation.



#### INQUIRY Increase velocity and conversion

through omnichannel engagement with students and parents at every stage.



#### APPLICANT Generate more applications

from students who fit your enrollment goals.



#### ADMIT Continue engagement

to foster decision making on enrollment.



#### DEPOSIT Maximize yield

and minimize melt as you bring in your class.



#### ENROLLMENT Reach your

enrollment goals and increase your ROI on search.

### New analytics and flexibility



# Optimize strategies using advanced enrollment analytics

that help focus your team's time on the areas of greatest impact.



#### Enjoy total flexibility

to manage your campaign using RNL's platform or your own CRM.

## **Snapshot of Outcomes**



THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT SNAPSHOT



3.37 Average GPA

**1042 Average SAT** 

1000 Deposited Students

**8,272** Applications **7,371** Admits

**OUT-OF -STATE LOCATIONS** 

Washington D.C. Georgia

**New York** 

Pennsylvania

Virginia

2,050 HIGH SCHOOLS REPRESENTED



Baltimore Polytechnic Institute Charles H Flowers H.S Bowie H.S. Baltimore City College H.S. Frederick Douglass Sr. H.S.

**4 7** States Represented

Plus Washington D.C.

Plus Wash

#### TOP 10 MAJORS

Business Administration (BS)
Criminal Justice (BS)
Computer Science (BS)
Sociology (BA)
Sports Management (BS)
Accounting (BS)
Rehabilitation Psychology (BS)
Biology (BS, General,
Physical Therapy/ Pre-Allied)
General Studies

**6** Nations Represented

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

\*Students represented have selected UMES as their top choice as of 06/12/23

## Implementation Discussion



- Campus Roll Out
- RNL's and PEA Weight Factor
- UMES Team Development
- UMES Enrollment Management Strategy Development
- Identifying and Utilizing Current Resources
- Moving Enrollment Management to Scale
- Overcoming limited resources at UMES

## **Consultant Reflections**



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## THANK YOU



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