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## **Maryland Association of Community Colleges Announces Graduation of Dr. Brad Phillips from Leadership Maryland**

Dr. Phillips, Association Executive Director, Among 49 Graduates of Unique Leadership  
Development Program

**Annapolis, Md. (Dec. 8, 2021)** – Dr. Brad Phillips was recognized as a member of Leadership Maryland’s Class of 2021 during a ceremony for graduates of the uniquely Maryland-focused leadership development program, held last night in Baltimore. Dr. Phillips has spent the past eight months participating in diverse, hands-on activities throughout the state following his acceptance into the competitive leadership program in May of this year.

“It’s been a privilege to become part of the special community that is [Leadership Maryland](#),” said Dr. Phillips. “I now have a deeper understanding of the challenges facing our state thanks, in part, to the diverse perspectives of my classmates. I’ve already begun applying that insight to my interactions with policymakers and community college administrations.”

Leadership Maryland’s learning opportunities address critical issues impacting education, economic development, health and human services, multi-culturalism and diversity, criminal justice and the environment. Participants start with an orientation retreat, then spend five, two-day sessions focused on Maryland’s five main geographic regions, and finish with a final closing

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retreat. The Class of 2021 was originally selected in 2020 but their participation was postponed one year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr. Phillips became executive director of the Maryland Association of Community Colleges (MACC) in July of this year following the retirement of its former executive director. He has worked at MACC since 2008 assuming progressively more responsible roles. In addition to leading MACC, Dr. Phillips teaches courses related to higher education public policy at Georgetown University. Dr. Phillips and his wife, also a Leadership Maryland alum, live in Annapolis with their two children.

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