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| **High schools partnerships include:** | USP offers a year-round program featuring after school advanced academic courses on Tuesday & Thursday, tutoring Monday thru Friday, supervised study on Monday & Wednesday, seminars/workshops, and Friday field trips. A seven-week Summer Institute designed to reduce summer learning loss, offers morning classes and participation in afternoon activities including group projects, tutoring, cultural enrichment, and outdoor recreation. The Summer Institute offsets summer learning loss by providing students with 147 hours of essential academic and college-ready skills and knowledge (91 classroom instruction + 56 other college ready activities – advising, tutoring, independent and small group studying, enrichment, and personal development) to each student. Students return to school fully prepared to build on the rigorous academic foundation laid in the summer courses. The Academic Year component of the Urban Scholars Program provides Scholars with an additional 180 hours after school: 120 hours of academic instruction and 60 hours in other activities (advising, tutoring, independent and small group studying, enrichment, and personal development). Some Scholars benefit from many more hours. | Having served more than 1,900 students over the past 29 years, the Urban Scholars Program has an impressive record of preparing our city's most talented students to reach high and to attain their college and career goals.  
- Over the past 5 years, 93% of Urban Scholars graduates have gone onto college and 82% of these students have enrolled in four year colleges.  
- Over the past 5 years, 77% of Urban Scholars graduates have either graduated or are still enrolled in college. (By comparison, the BPS college graduation rate is 35.5%–27.7% for non-exam school graduates, and the national rate is 43.6%).  
- In addition, we are pleased to announce that in 2010 the Urban Scholars Program was selected by Root Cause and Social Impact Research as one of seven recommended high-performing organizations in the College Access and Success field in Boston. **Urban Scholars’ graduates are attending or have graduated from the following schools:**  
  - Allegheny College  
  - American International College  
  - American University  
  - Babson College  
  - Bates College  
  - Bentley College  
  - Boston College  
  - Brandeis University  
  - Bridgewater State University  
  - Brown University  
  - Case Western Reserve University  
  - Clark University  
  - Colgate University  
  - College of the Holy Cross  
  - Connecticut College  
  - Cornell University  
  - Denison University  
  - Emerson College  
  - Emmanuel College  
  - Fairleigh Dickinson University  
  - Fitchburg State College  
  - Georgetown University  
  - Harvard Graduate School  
  - Hofstra University  
  - Holy Cross  
  - Johnson & Wales University  
  - LABOURC College  
  - Lasell College  
  - Lesley College  
  - Lincoln University  
  - MCPHS  
  - MIT  
  - Northeastern University  
  - Norwich University  
  - Oberlin College  
  - Regis College  
  - Roxbury Community College  
  - Rutgers University  
  - Simmons College  
  - Smith College  
  - Stonehill College  
  - Suffolk University  
  - Syracuse University  
  - Tufts University  
  - Univ. of Central Florida  
  - Univ. of Connecticut  
  - Univ. of Georgia at Athens  
  - UMass Amherst  
  - UMass Boston  
  - UMass Dartmouth  
  - UMass Lowell  
  - Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
  - Univ. of New Hampshire  
  - Univ. of Vermont  
  - Univ. of Wyoming  
  - Wellesley College  
  - Wentworth Institute of Tech.  
  - Wheelock College  
  - Rochester Institute of Tech.  | **Program information is also available at urbanscholars@umb.edu or [http://www.umb.edu/academics/vpass/support_programs/urban_scholars/about_program/](http://www.umb.edu/academics/vpass/support_programs/urban_scholars/about_program/). Phone number: 617-287-5830** |