



# END-OF-YEAR REPORT CARD

One Million Degrees | Spring 2014

We empower low-income, highly motivated community college students to succeed in school, in work, and in life.

## OUR SUCCESSES

**84%**

**OMD program retention rate** (scholars who are continuing in the program or have graduated)

**70%**

**OMD cumulative graduation rate** (over three times the state average)

**3.20**

**average scholar GPA, spring semester** (increase from 3.03 in the fall)

**20**

**OMD Scholars who were inducted in the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society or held a leadership position in student government or student affairs**

**30**

**associate's degrees and certificates awarded**

## OUR SUPPORTS



**hours of tutoring provided** by expert tutors who ensure that OMD Scholars are excelling in their coursework



**hours of coaching provided** to scholars by dedicated volunteers who support scholars in their academic, professional, and personal goals



**direct financial assistance provided** to help defray the cost of college and other educational expenses

## OUR YEAR IN REVIEW



### WISDOM FROM THE WORKPLACE

Scholars explored industries and career pathways at some of Chicago's best businesses.

### SUITED FOR SUCCESS

Brooks Brothers outfitted scholars in professional attire for life after college.



### ETIQUETTE DINNER



Scholars mastered the basics of fine dining over a four-course dinner at Chicago's renowned Standard Club.

### SPEED NETWORKING NIGHT



Scholars put their networking skills to work as they mixed and mingled with civic and business leaders.

### SCHOLAR WORKSHOPS AND COACHING SESSIONS



Monthly scholar workshops focused on professionalism, career readiness, financial literacy, and leadership.

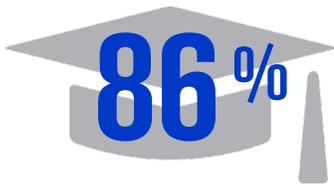
### SERVICE LEARNING

Scholars volunteered at local service organizations in Chicago and Cleveland, Ohio.



## BRIGHT FUTURES: OMD ALUMNI

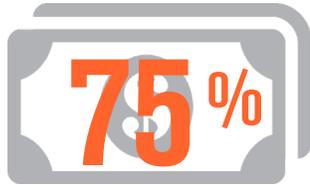
The following are based on the latest results from OMD's Alumni Survey.



OMD Alumni who are working, continuing their education, or both



OMD Alumni average annual household income



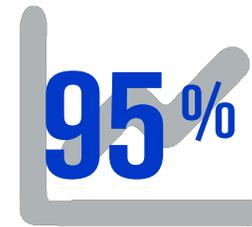
OMD Alumni who graduated from community college without any student loans



OMD Alumni who are saving for their futures



OMD Alumni who receive employee benefits including health insurance, retirement benefits, and paid time off



OMD Alumni who received a pay raise after working full-time for at least one year

“ I didn't have a job, a career, or own a home. After graduating with OMD's help, I have all of them! ”

Jorie Curry,  
2006-2007 cohort,  
Malcolm X College

“ It's satisfying to know that I'm on my way to accomplishing what once were dreams but are now clear and attainable goals. ”

Sergio Balino,  
2012-2013 cohort,  
Richard J. Daley College

### EXPANDED HORIZONS:



OMD GROWTH

The City of Chicago, the City Colleges of Chicago, and OMD announced an expanded partnership in which OMD will grow to serve thousands of City Colleges students over the next five years.

*“The expanded partnership with One Million Degrees will help provide thousands more City Colleges students with personalized academic and professional support to ensure they are on the path to college graduation and successfully reaching their goals.”*

- Mayor Rahm Emanuel