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UMBC Team Captures National Chess Championship

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The chess team at University of Maryland, Baltimore County successfully defended its national championship title at the President's Cup, known to chess aficionados as the Final Four of College Chess.

The top four U.S. college chess teams competing for the President's Cup are determined by the Pan-American Intercollegiate Chess Championship in December, where UMBC finished second.

Those teams competed Saturday for the President's Cup title in Lindsborg, Kansas, home of the World Champion Anatoly Karpov International School of Chess.



With a score of 10 points, UMBC defeated teams from the University of Texas at Dallas, Miami Dade College and Stanford University.

UMBC will host the 2006 Pan American Chess Championships, to be held December 27-30 at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, D.C.

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