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AT SHADY GROVE

## **Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education (ECED)**

### **Why Apply?**

- Degree awarded by Towson University
- Certification in Early Childhood (birth to age 8)
- Small classes and a cohort-based program
- Internships in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) Professional Development Schools
- Faculty from Towson University and adjunct faculty from MCPS
- Accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and approved by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE).

### **Program Information**

The Towson undergraduate program in Early Childhood Education is a program that prepares students for certification in early childhood education (birth to age 8). This program is a two year, full-time program where students complete their junior and senior years at The Universities at Shady Grove (USG) and in Montgomery County Public School classrooms.

To be considered for admission, students must:

- Submit an application and official transcripts of all college work
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 and a C or better on ALL courses.
- Be enrolled in the Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education A.A.T. program at Montgomery College or Frederick Community College.

For more information, please visit <https://www.shadygrove.umd.edu/universities/towson-university>

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## STEPS to a Bachelor of Science Degree in EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECED)



**The ECED program begins new cohorts every fall. We do NOT offer spring admissions.** Cohorts are limited in the number of students who will be accepted.

1. Apply to Towson University at USG in the Fall, one year before transferring from the A.A.T. in Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education programs at Montgomery College or Frederick Community College.
2. Submit official transcripts from all colleges attended. Transcripts should be hand delivered to the Towson University Site Coordinator at USG ONLY at the fall event at USG. After the fall event at USG, transcripts should be sent directly to Towson University's Undergrad Admissions Office.
3. Get accepted to Towson University. It is the first step to admission to the USG program; however, it does not equal admission to the Towson University Early Childhood Education program at Towson at the Universities at Shady Grove.
4. Get admitted to the TU ECE program at USG. To be considered for admission to the TU ECE program at USG, students must:
  - Be enrolled in the Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education A.A.T. program at Montgomery College or Frederick Community College.
  - Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (based on all colleges attended)
5. Complete the digital TU Enrollment Contract AFTER you have been admitted to the TU Early Childhood Education program at USG.
6. Attend new student orientation at USG in June. Bring a copy of your unofficial transcript.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Teacher Education Unit is to inspire, educate, and prepare facilitators of active learning for diverse and inclusive communities of learners in environments that are technologically advanced.

FALL, YEAR 3	Credits	SPRING, YEAR 3	Credits
ECED 315.641: Infant/Toddler Development	3	ECED 341.641: Preprimary Curriculum	3
ECED 461.641: Teaching the Integrated Arts	3	ECED 343.641: Preprimary Internship	3
ECED 407.641: Interactive Technology	3	ECED 360.641: Early Literacy: Best Practices & Materials	3
ECED 422.641: Writing Techniques for Teachers (I.D)	3	ECED 417.641: Assessment & Early Identification of Learning Disabilities	3
		ECED 460.641: Dual language Learners in Early Childhood Settings	3
EDUC 203.641 Teaching and Learning in a Diverse Society	3	SCIE 371.641 Teaching Science in ECE	2
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>17</b>

SUMMER TERM Year 3		Credits
SCED 304 Education, Ethics and Change		3
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>3</b>

FALL, YEAR 4	Credits	SPRING, YEAR 4	Credits
ECED 342.641: Primary Curriculum	3	ECED 351.641: Student Teaching Internship: Primary	6
ECED 344.641: Primary Internship	3	ECED 352.641: Student Teaching Internship: Preprimary	6
ECED 361.641: Teaching Reading in the Primary Grades	3	ECED 421.641: Seminar	3
ECED 429.641: Principles and Practices of Reading and Language Arts Assessment	3	edTPA is required to complete program requirements	
MATH 321.641: Teaching Mathematics in ECE	3		
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>15</b>

\* Other courses may be needed to fulfill Towson University's general education requirements