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Towson University at The Universities at Shady Grove is excited to launch our new

TU TIGER TEACHERS

BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAM!

Are you a para educator or supporting staff in MCPS interested in pursuing your bachelor's degree in elementary and/or special education?

Have you completed your associate degree in elementary/special education?

If you answered yes to these questions, then this program is for you!

If you answered no, we can help guide you in the right direction, too.

Towson University is partnering with MCPS to provide a unique opportunity for you! Our part-time, three-year program will lead you to Maryland State Certification with

INCREDIBLE TUITION BENEFITS SPECIFICALLY FOR MCPS EMPLOYEES!

You will:

- Continue to work as a para educator in MCPS.
- Take your courses in the afternoons and/or evenings.
- Enjoy flexible learning in hybrid courses offered face to face and virtually.
- Learn from Towson Faculty at The Universities at Shady Grove.
- Complete internships within your MCPS current location.
- Graduate from Towson University with a bachelor degree eligible for Maryland State Teaching Certification!



What you should do now:

- Collect unofficial transcripts from all colleges and universities attended for initial evaluation.
- Contact Jennifer Schnur jschnur@towson.edu for official next steps!



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Elementary Education & Special Education Major

Towson University's elementary and special education major offers dual certification that brings together innovative study and hands-on experiences. Get the knowledge and skills you need to be a highly effective educator.

Why Earn a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and Special Education (EASE)?

The field of special education is rapidly changing. There is a critical need for teachers who can meet the cognitive, behavioral, social, emotional, linguistic and cultural needs of all children in the classroom.

This specially designed major provides the opportunity to become certified in both elementary education (1-6) and special education (1-8). This degree prepares you to be an elementary classroom teacher or an elementary/middle special education teacher.

This comprehensive program offers:

- innovative and dynamic course work that helps you develop successful instruction and classroom management strategies.
- transformative, real-world experiences through internship placements, offered in Montgomery County Public Schools.
- experienced faculty-mentors committed to your success.
- a supportive cohort of fellow Towson University students studying elementary education-special education.
- collaborative partnerships with families, communities and agencies.

Program Advantages

- Towson University's long history and reputation as an excellent teacher training institution
- programs accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the Maryland State Department of Education
- professional development and networking opportunities with alumni in the field through social media and on-campus programs
- interaction with diverse populations during service-learning activities with students and families
- technology-rich course work and internship experiences



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Application Process

- Email Inquiry/Application to our Towson University Tiger Teachers Pathways Program
 - Send Inquiries to jschnur@towson.edu
 - Complete application as a transfer to Towson University – please request specific directions
- Transcript Analysis
 - Complete checklist of pre-requisite courses (see attached)
 - Unofficial transcripts will be evaluated
 - Once approved, official transcripts must be sent to main campus. Electronic transcripts can be sent via Parchment, E-Scripts, or Clearinghouse, emailed to admissions_documents@towson.edu or mailed to Towson University, Undergraduate Admissions, 8000 York Road, Towson, MD 21252
- Application/Acceptance to Towson University
 - Specific directions will be available for application for this program
 - An application fee waiver will be granted
- Other documents to submit with your application – directions will be emailed to you
 - A 1-2 page writing sample explaining your reasoning for wanting to enter this program
 - 2 professional references; we accept professors, supervisors, or employers as professional references
 - A current resume or curriculum vitae
- TU Tiger Teachers Acceptance
 - Decisions will be made on a rolling basis until the cohort is full

We look forward to working with you!



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CHECKLIST OF PRE-REQUISITE COURSES**

Red courses are examples of equivalent courses at Montgomery College. Other course equivalencies, exemptions and exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis during the transcript evaluation process.

The EESE program is a screened major; candidates must have a 3.0 GPA on prerequisite coursework and must maintain a 3.0 GPA each semester of the program.

Prerequisite Content - These courses must be taken before formal admission to the professional education sequence:

TOWSON SEMINAR (3 units)

___ (1) TU Seminar (waived for transfers)

ENGLISH (3 units)

___ (2) ENGL 102 Writing for a Liberal Education (ENGL 202)

MATHEMATICS (12 units)

___ MATH 204 Math Concepts & Structures I (MATH 130)

___ (3) MATH 205 Math Concepts & Structures II (MATH132)

___ MATH 251 Elements of Geometry (MATH 131)

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS (6 units)

___ (4) Art - Choose one course for Core 4 (ISTD 173)

___ (5) COMM 131 Fundamentals of Speech Com. (COMM 108)

PSYCHOLOGY (6 units)

___ (6) PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology (PSYC 102)

___ PSYC 201 Educational Psychology (PSYC 227)

SCIENCE (8 units)

___ (7) BIOL 120 Principles of Biology (BIOL 101)

___ BIOL 120L Principles of Biology Lab (BIOL 101L)

___ (8) PHSC 101 Physical Science I (PSCI 101)

PERSPECTIVES (15 units)

___ (10) EDUC 202 Hist & Contemporary Perspectives on Amer. Urban Schools (EDUC 101)

___ (11) HIST 145 U.S. to mid-19th c. OR HIST 146 U.S. since mid-19th c. (HIST 200)

___ (12) GEOG 102 World Regional Geography (GEOG 130) GEOG 105 Geography of Internal Affairs OR
GEOG 109 Intro to Human Geography

___ (13) EDUC 203 Teach & Learn in a Diverse Society (HLTH 125)

___ (14) SCED 304 Education, Ethics & Change (USG Summer Course)

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED COURSES (9 units)

___ ELED 322 Found of Reading & Language Arts (EDUC 243)

___ SPED 301 Introduction to Special Education (EDUC 201)

___ ECED 201 Intervention and the Young Child (PSYC 203)



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