Academic Evaluation Tools
The AAC offers inventories for students to assist with enhancing learning. Areas of strength are identified and recommendations are provided. Students can contact the office and schedule an appointment.
- Learning Styles Inventory
- Learning and Study Strategies Inventory (LASSI)
- StrengthsQuest

Academic Success Strategies Workshops
The AAC offers workshops throughout each semester to assist students with identifying and applying learning strategies. Below are examples of content covered:
- Learning Strategies for Math and Science
- Learning Styles and Study Skills
- Listening and Memorization
- Note-taking and Textbook Reading
- Organization and Time Management
- Preparation for Finals
- Presentation with Technology and Public Speaking

OTHER CAMPUS RESOURCES

Academic Advising Center
Lecture Hall
410-704-2472
advising@towson.edu
Provides advising to all students in selection of courses that fulfill Core Curriculum and degree requirements. The center’s advisers coordinate the class schedule for first-year freshmen.

Disability Support Services
Administration Building - Room 232
410-704-2638
TDD: 410-704-4423
Provides accommodations and services to students with various disabilities. Students are encouraged to register with DSS as soon as possible after admission to the university.

Writing Center
College of Liberal Arts - Room 5330
410-704-3426
Provides help with writing, brainstorming ideas and outlining the structure of paper/essays at the graduate and undergraduate levels.

Online Writing Support Program
Provides resources for sentence-level and grammar skills online at www.towson.edu/ows/
Academic Achievement Center

The Academic Achievement Center (AAC) is a full-service learning center that provides student support services of academic improvement and study skills development. Our mission is to help Towson University students become independent learners through tutorial and diagnostic assistance and promote integrity in the educational environment. We are a comprehensive resource with smart-board technology, peer tutors and learning specialists that can equip students to earn better grades and reach their academic goals.

Services

- **Academic Coaching**
- **Academic Evaluation Tools**
- **Academic Success Strategies Workshops**
- **Peer-Assisted Learning Sessions (PALS)**
- **Placement Testing**
- **Study Group Assistance**
- **Tutoring Support Services**

Academic Coaching

Students are encouraged to reflect on their own learning process. Individual appointments can be scheduled for informal diagnostics and academic coaching. Increased proficiency in fundamental skills is achieved by exploring the student’s strengths and by applying the appropriate techniques recommended by learning theorists.

Peer-Assisted Learning Sessions (PALS)

PALS are small-group, course-specific study sessions facilitated by an experienced peer tutor. Each session focuses on a specific topic with which many students struggle. The sessions allow optimal time for questions and answers.

Tutoring Support Services

Peer tutors are competent students who have earned A or B+ grades in relevant coursework and are recommended by TU faculty. Each tutor is required to complete training through our program that is certified by CRLA (College Reading and Learning Association). We hire and supervise approximately 50 tutors per term and provide tutoring in over 100 courses.

Placement Testing

The AAC administers a competency test in the basic skills of reading comprehension for all incoming students with a SAT Verbal score less than 500 and/or an ACT Reading score less than 21. Transfer students, with fewer than 10 transfer credits and without a 100-level college English course equivalent to TU’s ENGL 102, will be required to test. Students who need to test will be notified by a “placement testing - reading” message located directly on the student’s center To-Do List. Students can visit www.towson.edu/placement to register for a testing session.

Study Group Assistance

The AAC helps students facilitate study groups that provide additional academic support for various courses. Study groups are designed to improve out-of-class study habits and academic behavior. The small-group session encourages collaborative and active learning. For more information, visit www.towson.edu/aac

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