B.S. in Education

Early Childhood/Special Education (ECSE)
Elementary/Special Education (EESE)

Additional Program Requirements

1. Students must first be admitted to Towson University. Please note that a GPA of 2.75 or higher is required for program admittance. The Early Childhood/Special Education program at TUNE only accepts applicants during the fall semester. However, the Elementary Education/ Special Education program at TUNE accepts applicants during fall and spring semesters.

2. After completing the TU application, please submit via email a one-page, double-spaced essay explaining your reasons for entering the Early Childhood/Special Education program or the Elementary/Special Education program. The writing sample must be submitted to Toni Guidi at tguidi@towson.edu.

3. Taking and passing the Praxis Core must be completed prior to being accepted if you do not have a qualifying score on the SAT, GRE or ACT. A copy of qualifying scores* must be mailed or emailed to:

Toni Guidi
Towson University in Northeastern Maryland
8000 York Road
Towson, MD 21252-0001

*Qualifying Praxis Scores

Applicants may meet the testing requirement in one of two ways:

#1 Submitting individual scores at or above the state qualifying scores on Praxis Core: Reading (156), Writing (162), and Math (150).

#2 Submitting one of the following: SAT, GRE, or ACT scores which may be used in place of the Praxis Core. Qualifying scores: SAT (1100), GRE (1000), ACT (24).

Please remember that seats in the cohorts are limited. It is never too early to apply to the program!

About the Programs

Class sizes are small and cohort membership fosters collaboration and partnership since progression through the program is uniform.

ECSE students are eligible for dual certification in Early Childhood (Pre K - Grade 3) and Special Education (Birth - Grade 3).

EESE students are eligible for dual certification in Elementary (Grades 1-6) and Special Education (Grades 1-8).

Internships are completed locally in Harford and Cecil County schools. Students are guaranteed a screening interview by Harford County Public Schools.

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Harford Community College: Associate of Arts in Teaching (A.A.T) in Early Childhood Education/Special Education

Towson University: Bachelor’s Degree (B.S.) in Early Childhood/Special Education

Towson University offers students the opportunity to obtain a bachelor’s degree (B.S.) in Early Childhood Education/Special Education without ever leaving Harford County! Students who complete HCC’s Associate of Science (A.A.T) in Early Childhood Education/Special Education will be eligible to transfer to the Towson University in Northeastern Maryland facility on the Harford Community College campus to earn a bachelor’s degree.

Recommended Course Schedule Sequence at Harford Community College

**NOTE:** The following codes identify courses which satisfy the General Education Requirements at HCC:

- **GB** Behavioral/Social Science *
- **GH** Arts/Humanities *
- **GM** Mathematics
- **GL** Biological/Physical Laboratory Science
- **GE** English Composition
- **GI** Interdisciplinary & Emerging Issues
- **GS** Biological/Physical Science
- **D** Diversity

At HCC, future transfer students may earn credits that count toward the Core Curriculum requirements at Towson University. These Core requirements consist of a minimum of 40 units of coursework in 13 categories.

**First Semester (16 credits)**

- **EDUC 103** The Young Child (3)
- **EDUC 113** Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3)
- **ENG 101** English Composition (3) **GE (Core 2)**
- **MATH 131** Concepts in Mathematics I (4)
- **PSY 101** General Psychology (3) **GB (Core 6)**

**Second Semester (17 credits)**

- **BIO 100** Fundamentals of Biology (4) **GL (Core 7)**
- **EDUC 104** Materials and Curriculum in Early Childhood (3)
- **GEOG 103** World Regional Geography (3) **GB, D (Core 12)**
- **MATH 211** Elements of Geometry (4) **GM**
- **Literature Elective (3) **GH ** (Core 13)**
- **Choose one of the following:** ENG 201, ENG 202, ENG 205, ENG 206, ENG 215, ENG 219, ENG 233, ENG 234

**Third Semester (17 credits)**

- **EDUC 217** Introduction to Special Education (3)
- **HIST 104** History of the United States II (3) **GB, D (Core 11)**
- **MATH 216** Introduction to Statistics (4) **GM (Core 3)**
- **SCI 105** Physical Science I (3) **GS (Core 8)**
- **SCI 106** Physical Science Course Observations and Investigations: Matter (1) **GL (Core 8)**
- **CMST 101** Speech Fundamentals (3) **(Core 5)** ***
- **Choose one of the following:** MATH 216, MATH 226, MATH 231, MATH 232, MATH 234

**Fourth Semester (14 credits)**

- **EDUC 207** Processes and Acquisition of Reading (3)
- **ES 107** Earth and Space Science (4)
- **SOC 101** Introduction to Sociology (3) **GB, D (Core 10)**
- **VPA 201** Visual and Performing Arts Survey (3) **GH (Core 4)**
- **Physical Education Elective (1)**

Last revised 03/01/2016. Please note agreement sequences are subject to change according to state guidelines. Be sure to meet with your HCC advisor each semester.
# B.S. in Early Childhood/Special Education
Towson University in Northeastern Maryland

## Admission Requirements
- Students must provide copies of qualifying Praxis Core scores. Qualifying SAT, GRE, or ACT scores may be substituted.
- Students must hold a 2.75 GPA or higher.
- Students who hold the Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) from an approved program in a Maryland community college have first priority.

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## Second Fall Term (17 units)
- ECSE 351 Primary Curriculum & Instruct. (3)
- ECSE 352 Field Placement in the Primary Inclusive Classroom (2)
- ECSE 413 Instruct. Tech for Young Children (3)
- ECED 361 Teaching Reading Primary Grades (3)
- MATH 321 Teaching Math Early Childhood (3)
- English Elective 300-Level or Higher (3)

## Second Spring Term (18 units)
- ECSE 451 Internship in ECSE (12)
- ECSE 452 Internship in ECSE Seminar (3)
- ECED 429 Reading Assessment (3)

## General Information
TU in Northeastern Maryland
510 Thomas Run Road • Bel Air, MD 21015
410-704-TUNE (8863) • TUNEMD@towson.edu

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410-704-8016 • tguidi@towson.edu
Three Reasons to Apply

Save Money.

- Fulltime TUNE students save more than $1,500 per year on fees as compared to students on the main campus. Tuition amounts are the same at both locations.
- Parking is free and convenient.
- TUNE students save on room and board, which costs approximately $11,000 per academic year on the main campus.
- Students are eligible for the same Financial Aid packages (grants, scholarship, loans, etc.) that are awarded to main campus students. In order to be considered, students must submit the FAFSA by the posted deadline.
- Student employment opportunities are available on-site.

Convenient. Close to Home.

- Program advisors and admissions representatives hold regular office hours on-site.
- Select programs offer internship opportunities in the region.
- TUNE’s Director of Student Services organizes diverse student life activities and events to bring the full college experience to TUNE.
- Fulltime TUNE students have access to Harford Community College’s fitness facilities.
- Students may purchase textbooks, class materials, TU apparel, and much more at TUNE’s bookstore. Items can also be ordered from TU’s main campus UStore and delivered to TUNE for pickup.
- Food, beverages, and snacks are available on-site at the TUNE café, bookstore, and vending machines.

Same Quality Programs. Same Quality Degree.

- Established partnerships with local community colleges provide a seamless transfer and assure maximum transfer credit.
- All programs are Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) approved and, if applicable, accredited by their specific professional organization.
- The same high caliber instructors teaching on main campus also teach courses at Towson University in Northeastern Maryland (TUNE).
- Students receive a bachelor’s degree awarded by Towson University. The programs at TUNE are identical to those on main campus.
How to Apply

1. To access the online application, please visit our webpage at www.towson.edu/tunemd and click the “Apply Now” button. You can also visit the application directly at www.towson.edu/applytune.

2. Please read the application instructions carefully. Allow yourself approximately 20-30 minutes to fully complete the application. A $45 non-deferrable, non-refundable fee is required with your application. Payment may be made with a credit card or electronic check.

3. Remember to send official transcripts from all previously attended colleges and universities to Admissions via email to: Admissions_Documents@towson.edu [Some schools will send electronically to TU.]

or via postal mail to: Towson University
Office of Undergraduate Admissions
8000 York Road
Towson, MD 21252

4. Some majors have additional requirements or screening criteria, such as prerequisite courses, supplemental applications, GPA requirements, or passing Praxis scores. Admission to Towson University does not guarantee entry into these majors. The following programs at TUNE have additional requirements: Business Administration, Education, and Nursing.

The Deadlines

The final application deadline is June 15 for fall admission and December 15 for spring admission. The application will remain open on a space-available basis.

To be considered for merit-based scholarships offered through the University, your TU application, official transcripts, and standardized test scores* must be submitted by December 1.

The TU Priority Deadline for the FASFA is usually in mid-January and posted at www.towson.edu/finaid.

* Standardized test scores are only required if you have earned fewer than 30 transferrable credits.

Questions?

Transfer advising staff are on-site at regular times throughout the semester. Please call us at 410-704-TUNE (8863) or email tunemd@towson.edu to make an appointment to meet with a counselor if you have questions regarding transfer of credits or the application process.