Program Transfer Agreement
Cecil College & Towson University

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Elementary Education & Special Education (2023-2028)

Cecil College, a community college located in North East, Maryland, and Towson University, a four-year public institution located in Towson, Maryland, agree to follow the articulation of courses outlined in the articulation (course equivalency) document, for completion of the requirements for Towson University's Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education & Special Education (Attachment A), which is attached to, and incorporated by reference into, this Program Transfer Agreement. The following principles guide the operation of this Program Transfer Agreement, with the requirements for transfer in specific curricula set forth in Attachment A.

1. Students who have completed the Associate of Arts in Teaching degree in Elementary Education may transfer into Towson University’s Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education & Special Education program with junior standing provided that the student has completed all courses identified in Attachment A with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher. Courses completed at Cecil College with 300 or 400 level Towson University course equivalencies will transfer as lower-level credit but will satisfy course content as indicated.

2. Only Cecil College courses in which a grade of C (2.00 GPA) or better is earned will apply toward the major at Towson University.

3. The number of transferable Cecil College credits specific to the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education & Special Education program is reflected in Attachment A. The standard credit weighting for Cecil College’s Associate of Arts in Teaching in Elementary Education is 60 credits. Towson University will accept a maximum number of 64 transfer credits from Cecil College toward the fulfillment of the 128 credit hours required for baccalaureate completion.

4. In accordance with the Maryland Higher Education Commission’s credit transfer policy pertaining to general education requirements, Towson University will accept the completion of Cecil College’s general education requirements and students will be required to complete additional courses at Towson University to satisfy the remaining Core Curriculum requirements as shown in Attachment A.

5. Towson University recognizes college-level experiential learning gained through previous work, military and/or volunteer service or life experience. Credit for prior learning may also be established through course challenge or standardized credit by examination.
6. Cecil College students transferring to Towson University will be given every consideration for financial aid and will be eligible to compete for academic scholarships upon entrance to Towson University subject to stated scholarship deadlines.

7. Both Cecil College and Towson University agree to work together to facilitate the transfer of students from Cecil College to Towson University to work cooperatively to ensure the high quality of the programs at the respective institutions. Transfer of students will be in accordance with policies and procedures of both institutions, as they may be amended from time to time.

8. This Program Transfer Agreement will be in effect initially for five years, beginning with the commencement of the Fall 2023 semester and ending at the completion of the Fall 2028 semester, with a review every year by both parties. Any revisions the parties deem necessary must be evidenced in writing and signed by the authorized officials of each institution. The Program Transfer Agreement may be terminated by either party for due cause and after adequate notice of not less than six months is given to the other party.

9. Towson University will provide information on the academic progress of Cecil College transfer students enrolled under the terms of this Program Transfer Agreement upon request by Cecil College and in compliance with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and applicable Towson University policies and procedures.

10. This Program Transfer Agreement, when signed, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties respecting the matter hereof.

CECIL COLLEGE AND TOWSON UNIVERSITY

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2+2 Articulation Agreement for Cecil College and Towson University
Associate's Degree: A.A.T. in Elementary Education
Bachelor's Degree: B.S. in Elementary Education & Special Education
Effective Term: Fall 2023

Section 1: Course Completion Plan for Cecil College

This section outlines the courses to satisfy Cecil College (Cecil) general education and program requirements in order to complete both Cecil and Towson University (TU) degrees within a total of four years and earn the minimum required 128 units/credits. The following tables do not include any nontransferable or prerequisite coursework outside of the curriculum.

Table 1: Cecil General Education Courses Applied to TU Core Curriculum

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<td>English Composition</td>
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<td>ENGL TLL English Lower-Level Elective</td>
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<td>Biological &amp; Physical</td>
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1 Note that Cecil College awards academic “credit” for its courses, whereas Towson University uses the term “unit” in reference to the credit hour weighting assigned to its undergraduate courses. For the purposes of this articulation agreement, the terms “credit” and “unit” are interchangeable.
### Cecil Requirement | Cecil Course to Take | Credits | TU Equivalent Course
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|  | HST 201 United States History I (H) |  | HIST 146 History of the United States Since the Civil War |
|  | HST 202 United States History II (H) |  |  |

**Cecil general education credits: 33**

Completing the courses above will satisfy the general education program at Cecil. TU will transfer these courses without a course-by-course match to the Core Curriculum requirements. See section 2 for details.

Table 2: Program Requirements and Electives Applied to TU Degree

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<td>ART 195 Integrated Arts</td>
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<td>EDU 101 Foundations of Education</td>
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<td>EDUC 202 Historical and Contemporary Perspectives: America’s Urban Schools</td>
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<td>EDU 210 Processes and Acquisition of Reading</td>
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<td>EDU 102 Foundation of Education – Field Experience</td>
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* Cecil program requirements and elective credits applied to the TU degree: 27 credits
Attachment A

- Total Cecil credits applied to the TU Core Curriculum to fulfill TU general education requirements: 36 credits (includes courses taken at Cecil to meet general education requirements [see Table 1] and program requirements [see Table 2] for the A.A.T. degree)
- Total Cecil credits transferred to TU: 60-64

While Cecil's A.A.T. degree in Elementary Education is 60 credits, Cecil students may transfer a maximum of 64 credits toward TU's B.S. degree in Elementary Education & Special Education. The application of these additional credits beyond the 60-credit standard will be determined by TU on an individual case-by-case basis. If students do not adhere to the courses outlined above in Tables 1 and 2, they are not guaranteed completion of the bachelor's degree in two years. Refer to section 2 for specific course details and transfer planning information.

Section 2: Cecil Course Selection & Transfer Details
This section explains any specific course selections made in section 1 and provides transfer planning guidance specific to this degree plan. Students must follow the course selections outlined in this document. If students do not complete any or all of the courses outlined in this agreement, they will be required to complete outstanding requirements at TU.

GENERAL EDUCATION
Students must take the following courses for their general education requirements. Students must earn a minimum grade of C in the following courses to satisfy TU major requirements.

- **Mathematics (M)**: MAT 127 Introduction to Statistics to satisfy the major requirement of MATH 205 Mathematical Concepts and Structures II.
- **Social & Behavioral Sciences (SS)**: PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology to satisfy the major requirement of PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology.
- **Social & Behavioral Sciences (SS)**: GEO 101 Physical Geography to satisfy a major requirement of GEOG 102 World Regional Geography at TU.
- **Biological & Physical Sciences (S/SL)**: BIO 101 General Biology and BIO 111 General Biology Lab to satisfy the major requirement of BIOL 120 Principles of Biology and BIOL 120L Principles of Biology Lab.
- **Biological & Physical Sciences (S/SL)**: PSC 105 General Physical Science with Lab to satisfy the major requirement of PHSC 101 Physical Science I.
- **General Education Requirement**: PSY 203 Child Growth and Development to satisfy the major requirement of ECED 201 Early Childhood Development and Intervention.
- **Arts & Humanities (H)**: HST 201 History of the United States I or HST 202 History of the United States II to satisfy the major requirement of HIST 145 History of the United States to the Civil War or HIST 146 History of the United States Since the Civil War.
Students following this agreement will not be required to take **EDUC 203 Teaching and Learning in a Diverse Society** and **GEOG 102 World Regional Geography**.

It is recommended that students take **PHI 201 Ethics - Contemporary Moral Issues** to satisfy the Core Curriculum requirement for Ethical Perspectives (Core 14). Students who complete this course at Cecil will not be required to take **SCED 304 Education Ethics and Change** at TU.

The following information explains the transfer of students' general education courses:

- TU will recognize the courses in Table 1 (see section 1) as a completed general education program. Students will receive a core package that satisfies most of the TU Core Curriculum without the need for course-by-course placement in specific Core Curriculum requirements.

- Students entering into this agreement will need to complete two Core Curriculum requirements at TU: Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) and Ethical Perspectives (Core 14). Students not completing the courses listed in Tables 1 and 2 above will be required to complete additional Core Curriculum requirements at TU. Students who take **PHI 201 Ethics - Contemporary Moral Issues** at Cecil will only need to complete the Advanced Writing Seminar (Core 9) at TU.

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Students must take the following courses in order to also satisfy required courses in the major at TU. Students must earn a minimum grade of C in each of the following courses.

- **EDU 101 Foundations of Education** to satisfy the major requirement of **EDUC 202 Historical and Contemporary Perspectives: America’s Urban Schools**.
- **EDU 210 Processes and Acquisition of Reading** to satisfy the major requirement of **ELED 322 Foundations of Reading and Other Language Arts**.
- **EDU 251 Introduction to Exceptional Children and Youth** to satisfy the major requirement of **SPED 301 Introduction to Special Education**.
- **MTH 133 Mathematical Concepts and Structure I** to satisfy the major requirement of **MATH 204 Mathematical Concepts and Structures I**.
- **MTH 134 Mathematical Concepts and Structure II** to satisfy the major requirement of **MATH 251 Elements of Geometry**.
- **PSY 207 Educational Psychology (SS)** to satisfy the major requirement of **PSYC 201 Educational Psychology**.

**LOWER-LEVEL EQUIVALENTS OF UPPER-LEVEL COURSES**

A course number beginning with T or F indicates that it is a lower-level equivalent of an upper-level TU course. **ELED T22** and **SPED T01** Well satisfy the major requirement of **ELED 322 Foundations of Reading and Other Language Arts** and **SPED 301 Introduction to Special Education** but will not count toward the TU degree requirement for 32 upper-level units.
Section 3: Degree Requirements to be Completed at TU
This section outlines the degree requirements for students transferring into the B.S. in Elementary Education & Special Education. Refer to section 4 for additional major requirements, recommendations, and university-wide degree requirements.

CORE CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS: 6 UNITS
Core 9 Advanced Writing Seminar (3 units) (this will be satisfied by ELED 320 Writing for Elementary Educators in the major)
Core 14 Ethical Issues and Perspectives (3 units) (this will be satisfied by SCED 304 Education, Ethics, and Change in the major)

INTRODUCTORY COURSES: 3 UNITS
SCED 304 Education, Ethics, and Change (3 units) (this is counted above in the Core Curriculum requirements)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES: 35 UNITS
Select one of the following for 3 units:
- BIOL 303 Life Sciences
- PHSC 303 Earth Space Science
ELED 320 Writing for Elementary Education (3 units) (this is counted above in Core Curriculum requirements)
ELED 412 Methods and Materials for Teaching Literacy in the Primary Grades (3 units)
ELED 413 Internship in Primary Literacy (3 units)
ELED 424 Methods and Materials for Teaching Literacy in the Intermediate Grades (3 units)
ELED 426 Literacy Instruction for Linguistically Diverse Learners (3 units)
MATH 323 Teaching Mathematics in Elementary School (3 units)
MATH 324 Supervised Observation/Participation in Elementary School Mathematics (2 units)
SCIE 376 Teaching Science in Elementary School (3 units)
SPED 413 Universal Design for Learning: Addressing Learner Variability (3 units)
SPED 425 Formal Tests Measurements for Students with Disabilities (PREK-12) (3 units)
SPED 441 Curriculum/Methods of Instruction for Students with Disabilities (PREK-12) (3 units)

INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS: 30 UNITS
Select one of the following for 3 units:
- ESEE 430 Methods of Classroom Management and Collaboration I
- SPED 429 Curriculum/Methods of Classroom Management for Students with Disabilities
Select one of the following for 3 units:
- ESEE 431 Methods of Classroom Management and Collaboration II
- SPED 469 Collaborative Teaching in the Elementary School
ESEE 474 Internship I: Special Education (3 units)
ESEE 475 Internship I: Elementary Education (3 units)
EESE 476 Internship II: Special Education (6 units)
EESE 477 Internship II: Elementary Education (6 units)
EESE 485 Seminar in EESE (3 units)
ELED 429 Principles and Practices of Assessment in Reading and Language Arts (3 units)

Section 4: Additional Requirements & Recommendations for TU Degree Completion

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION & SPECIAL EDUCATION

- The basic skills test requirement will be waived for students earning the AAT degree with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or higher.
- Admission to the Elementary Education & Special Education program at TU requires a minimum GPA of 3.00 during the most recent two years of the candidate’s education. A grade of Pass is not accepted for courses required in the major. Advanced credits (e.g., Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, or Cambridge) can be applied toward requirements in the major.
- Elementary Education & Special Education majors are required to maintain a semester GPA of 3.00 in required education courses.
- As Elementary Education interns, students follow the school system calendar of the Professional Development School (PDS) in which they are assigned.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS

- A grade of C (2.0) or higher is required in all major courses and prerequisites.
- A cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required.
- 32 units of the bachelor’s degree must be completed at the upper level (courses numbered 300 or above).
- Certain majors may have additional requirements for graduation. Students should follow the specific requirements outlined in the catalog for the major.
Degree Completion Summary

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*Students will fulfill the six-unit Core Curriculum requirements for Core 9 by taking ELED 320 Writing for Elementary Educators and for Core 14 by taking SCED 304 Education, Ethics, and Change which are required courses for the Elementary Education & Special Education major, but are not counted in the unit total for the introductory/professional education required coursework in the above table. The Elementary Education & Special Education major at TU requires a minimum of 128 units for degree completion.