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WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TOWSON TO EARN YOUR MASTER'S?

I chose Towson to earn my Master's in school psychology because of the close ties to Baltimore city and county. Towson is uniquely situated in a county with diverse school districts. As a woman of color, I love that I'm able to work with culturally diverse students and use my experience in Diversity Equity and Inclusion programming in everything that I do.

WHAT'S YOUR BIGGEST TAKEAWAY THUS FAR FROM THE PROGRAM THAT YOU THINK YOU WILL USE IN YOUR CAREER?

My biggest takeaway from this program is learning how to "meet children where they're at." We've used this term a lot throughout this program, and I now truly understand what it means. As a school psychologist it's my hope that I can make an impact in students' and their families lives by seeing the world through their lens.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE POTENTIAL MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATES WHO ARE CONSIDERING THIS PROGRAM?

My advice for anyone considering school psychology is to consider what strengths you have that can benefit this field. Think about your unique background. How can these identities that you hold make a difference in a student's life? We all have the potential to help students thrive in our own way.

WHERE ARE YOU CURRENTLY COMPLETING YOUR PRACTICUM AND HOW IS YOUR EXPERIENCE?

I am currently completing my practicum in Baltimore County. So far, I love the connections I have made with the students and teachers. My supervisor has also been a huge support in preparing me for this career. I have seen and done so much within the first few weeks. This experience has confirmed that this is the right field for me, and I'm looking forward to continuing the program!