



## Hussman Center for Adults with Autism Summer 2026 Programs

**General information for all programs: If you have *never* attended a program at the Hussman Center or *have not attended in over 2 years* you are required to attend a Hussman Center Intake Meeting with the Hussman Center Staff. Sign up for an intake meeting here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E48A4AB2CA4FB6-64121664-hussman> Please proceed to complete the [program interest process](#) before your scheduled intake meeting.**

All Hussman Center programs include interaction with Towson University students who are there to learn about autism by engaging with program participants. Participants need to be able to join program activities without assistance from a 1-1 support person. For advice about program selection, please contact us @ [hcaa@towson.edu](mailto:hcaa@towson.edu) or call 410.704.7300. Programs are 5 weeks long and begin the week of June 29<sup>th</sup> and conclude the week of July 27<sup>th</sup> unless otherwise noted. (i.e. Gaming & Multi Modal Narratives, A Social AAC Group, Dungeons and Dragons) Some of these programs begin the week of June 22<sup>th</sup>, and Gaming and TopGolf are 4-week programs rather than 5 weeks and have varied start and end dates.

**[CLICK TO FILL OUT THE PROGRAM INTEREST FORM](#) .**

Please note that programs are not filled on a first come first-serve basis. Staff consider many factors when filling out programs. We will do our best to get you a spot in your first and/or second choice. You will be notified by email by the end of the day on June 9<sup>th</sup> as to which program(s) has(have) room for you. You will be required to respond to that email by June 12<sup>th</sup> to confirm your program spot(s).

**Community Integration Programs:**

These programs facilitate opportunities to engage in fun activities with Towson University students who co-participate and learn more about autism from autistic adults.

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<p><b>Work Possibilities- Monday</b> Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger, OTD Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Monday</b> Time: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 29</b> <b>July 6, 13, 20, 27</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$180</b> <b>Location: Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>The Work Possibilities program provides participants an opportunity to practice workplace social and communication skills while trying a rotation of jobs around the Towson University campus and the Greater Baltimore Community. While the Work Possibilities program does not provide vocational services, activities are designed to help individuals who are preparing to enter a vocational training program soon, who are actively looking for a job, or who have encountered challenges at work previously by strengthening readiness for training and employment. Some classes take place at the Hussman Center, and most work sites are located on the TU campus and nearby community. Participants are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from the Towson University campus and must be able to get to the various worksites independently.</p>
<p><b>A Social AAC Group 5 Weeks** beginning June 22nd</b> Program Facilitator: Carly Donnelly, M.Ed., CCC-SLP Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Monday</b> Time: 2:00- 3:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 22, 29</b> <b>July 6, 13, 20</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$150</b> Location: IWB- Fitness Studio</p>	<p>Calling all AAC users: come hang out with other device users and show off your personality! Speech students will be in the group to aid AAC users in efficient, effective, and personalized use of their communication system. Participants of all stages of AAC use are welcome (whether you just got your device or have been using it for multiple decades).</p>
<p><b>Paint and Sip</b> Program Facilitator: Amalia Beltran, OTR/L CSRS Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW <b>5 Weeks** beginning June 22nd</b> <b>Day: Monday</b> Time: 2:00- 3:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 22, 29</b> <b>July 6, 13, 20</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$150</b> <b>Location: Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Paint and Sip group allows individuals to express themselves via painting and enjoy conversation in a relaxed environment with peers. Individuals will be encouraged to paint using different themes and goals throughout the semester. Non-Alcoholic drinks will be provided for individuals to consume throughout the duration of the program.</p>



<p><b>Employability Skills</b> Program Facilitator: Kimberly Hubscher BA Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Monday</b> Time: 3:00- 4:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 29</b> <b>July 6, 13, 20, 27</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$120</b> <b>Location: Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>This program is geared towards individuals who have some or no work experience, including potential past participation in the Hussman Center Work Possibilities group. Meeting in-person with Hussman Center Work skills experts, you will learn skills and strategies to support your next steps on the work journey. Topics include self-determination, career exploration, and creating a career goal and plan.</p>
<p><b>Self-Management</b> Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger, OTD Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Monday</b> Time: 4:00-5:30PM <b>June 29</b> <b>July 6, 13, 20, 27</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$180</b> <b>Location: Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>This program will support participants with managing their self-confidence and self-esteem across different areas of life. We will use fun and playful activities combined with structured group lessons and relaxation exercises to teach skills for living life with independence and less stress. We will explore common challenges, discuss potential vulnerabilities, and share suggestions and guidance related to managing feelings, emotions and behaviors when encountering difficult situations.</p>
<p><b>Hussman Bakes Cafe</b> Program Facilitator: Doug DeHaan, M.Ed. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Tuesday</b> Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 30th</b> <b>July 7, 14, 21, 28</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$250</b> <b>Location: Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>The group will focus on baking and cooking items based upon meals planned by the group. This program provides participants with opportunities to practice and demonstrate community living skills (such as executive functioning, self-determination, initiation and motivation). Participants will have the opportunity to demonstrate executive functioning and self-management skills in a comfortable environment by engaging in activities and meaningful discussions about wellness and other relevant topics.</p>
<p><b>Dating</b> Program Facilitator: Destiny Jones, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Tuesday</b> Time: 5:00 - 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Participants work collaboratively to learn about relationships within various contexts to include effective communication, healthy conflict, establishing boundaries, the impact of substance use on relationships, navigating intimacy, and investing in</p>

<p><b>Dates:</b> <b>June 30th</b> <b>July 7, 14, 21, 28</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$ 175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>self-care along the way through discussion and experiential activities.</p>
<p><b>Culinary Skills with Chef Manny</b> Program Facilitator: Manny Robinson, C.E.C. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 11:00AM - 1:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$250</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Cooking with Chef Manny provides an opportunity for participants and TU students to plan for and bake or cook different cuisines in collaboration with autistic adults from Richcroft Inc. In addition, this program provides participants with opportunities to practice and demonstrate community living skills (such as executive functioning, self determination, initiation and motivation). Participants will have the opportunity to demonstrate executive functioning and self-management skills in a comfortable environment by engaging in activities and meaningful discussions about wellness and other relevant topics.</p>
<p><b>Work Possibilities- Wednesday</b> Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger, OTD Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$180</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>The Work Possibilities program provides participants an opportunity to practice workplace social and communication skills while trying a rotation of jobs around the Towson University campus and the Greater Baltimore Community. While the Work Possibilities program does not provide vocational services, activities are designed to help individuals who are preparing to enter a vocational training program soon, who are actively looking for a job, or who have encountered challenges at work previously by strengthening readiness for training and employment. Some classes take place at the Hussman Center, and most work sites are located on the TU campus and nearby community. Participants are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from the Towson University campus and must be able to get to the various worksites independently.</p>
<p><b>Multi Modal Narratives</b> Program Facilitator: Carly Donnelly, M.Ed., CCC-SLP Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW <b>5 Weeks** beginning June 24th</b> <b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 2:00 – 3:30 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 24</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22</b></p>	<p>In this group, all communication styles and modalities are welcome, as participants create a cumulative “portfolio” about their lives, special interests, or strengths. Speech students will aid participants in crafting their narratives. Examples of “portfolios” include: a newsletter, a music playlist, a poster, a PowerPoint, a poem, a script, etc. Come ready to narrate your story in the way you see fit!</p>



<p><b>Program Fee: \$180</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	
<p><b>Fitness</b> Program Facilitator: Kari Curtis, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 2:30 - 4:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Participants in this program will have the opportunity to socialize with peers while increasing motor skills, improving balance and coordination, increasing self-confidence and daily life skills and developing a stronger core and better trunk stability. Participants should be interested in getting a great workout. This is an advanced fitness class where you will be challenged to meet goals in strength conditioning and/or cardiovascular conditioning.</p>
<p><b>Art Club</b> Program Facilitator: Kari Curtis, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$215</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Participants in this art program work on art projects to express themselves and connect with others. Projects might include watercolor; drawing; collage; or art made from found objects. The emphasis of the program is on artistic expression, sharing ideas, compromising, and creating an artistic space together. Participants may have the opportunity to share their creations in an end of program art show. No prior art experience necessary.</p>
<p><b>Gaming Club- 4 Week Program</b> Program Facilitator: Joshua Donaldson, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 5:00 - 6:30 PM <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22</b> <b>*4 Week Program* *Begins 7.1.26*</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$135</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>This program provides participants with an opportunity to build a sense of community with peers, strengthen interpersonal skills and deepen self-awareness. By engaging in board games, card games, video games, and other activities together, participants will also practice solving problems, learning with their peers and learning about their peers. They will make decisions which benefit the group. Participants should have an interest in joining the activities and socializing with others.</p>



<p><b>Recreational Activities</b> Program Facilitator: Randy Holter, B.A. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$ 175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Participants in this program will engage in activities together. Activities may include yard games and tournament style friendly competition to be hosted either indoors or outdoors depending on weather. Participants should be prepared to express ideas for the group and participate in a variety of activities throughout the summer session.</p>
<p><b>Dungeons &amp; Dragons</b> Program Facilitator: Frank DiBeneditto, BA Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 6:00 - 7:30 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>June 24</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22</b> <b>5 Weeks** beginning June 24th</b> <b>Program Fee: \$215</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Participants will work collaboratively, embarking on quests to uncover the secrets of realms unknown. Filled with magic, fantasy, and puzzles, participants will play as unique characters where their decisions will determine the direction the story goes! All skill levels are welcome.</p>
<p><b>Marvel Universe</b> Program Facilitator: Ryan Permison, B.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Wednesday</b> Time: 6:00 - 7:30 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Participants will engage in Marvel themed activities including watch movies and films and learn how to be a film critic, engaging in trivia or art surrounding the characters of Marvel Universe and more.</p>



<p><b>Top Golf</b> Program Facilitator: Doug DeHaan M.Ed.</p> <p><b>Day: Thursday</b> Time: 11:00AM -12:00PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 9, 16, 23, 30</b> <b>*4 Week Program* *Begins 7.9.26*</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$90</b> Location: <b>Top Golf Baltimore</b></p>	<p>This program is specifically designed as an opportunity for individuals to engage in a Golf series for 4 weeks. This will take place at Top Golf Baltimore and individuals are expected to provide or obtain their own transportation to and from that location.</p>
<p><b>Improv &amp; Acting</b> Program Facilitator: Max Hambleton Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Thursday</b> Time: <b>1:00 - 2:30 PM</b> <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>Improv and Acting group provides opportunities for participants to work on different scripts and acting techniques focusing on the 2 cornerstones of acting” Voice &amp; Body, Emotional Life, Imagination, and Script Analysis. This course will provide an opportunity to improve feelings of anxiety and stress while you have fun becoming someone else.</p>
<p><b>Trivia</b> Program Facilitator: Heather Hinson, BA Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW</p> <p><b>Day: Thursday</b> Time: 4:30- 6:00 PM <b>Dates:</b> <b>July 2, 9, 16, 23, 20</b></p> <p><b>Program Fee: \$175</b> Location: <b>Hussman Center</b></p>	<p>This program provides participants with an opportunity to test their knowledge in a fun, friendly and semi-competitive environment. By engaging in team-based trivia activities together, participants will learn with their peers and learn about their peers. They will make decisions which benefit the group. Participants should have an interest in joining the trivia-based activities and socializing with others.</p>