

Articulation Agreement Guide

Elementary Education

Towson University

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Founded in 1866, Towson University is recognized as one of the nation's best regional public universities, offering more than 100 bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in the liberal arts and sciences, and applied professional fields.



Located in suburban Towson, eight miles north of Baltimore, our beautifully landscaped, 328-acre setting offers a pleasant environment for study and a diverse campus life, as well as easy access to a wealth of university and community resources. Towson University's educational experience branches out to off-campus locations throughout Maryland, including a number of online options.

With nearly 22,000 students, Towson University is among the largest public universities in Maryland. As a metropolitan university, Towson combines research-based learning with practical application. Our many interdisciplinary partnerships with public and private organizations throughout Maryland provide opportunities for research, internships and jobs. Towson University is a founding member of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities (CUMU).

Admissions Website

<http://www.towson.edu/main/admissions/>

Transfer Website

<http://www.towson.edu/main/admissions/apply/transfers/index.asp>

Articulated Program Requirements:

- Guaranteed admissions for any CSM student who has earned an A.A.T in Elementary Education into the B.A in Teacher Education
- All coursework is completed at the Waldorf Center
- Application deadline: January 15 for fall and October 15 for spring.

For more information, contact:

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COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND/TOWSON 2+2 PROGRAM FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What are the requirements needed to qualify for the Towson University Southern MD 2+2 Program?

A:

1. AAT in Elementary Education
2. Minimum 2.75 GPA
3. And **ONE** of the criteria listed below:
 - A passing Praxis CORE score in Math, Reading and Writing
 - SAT taken after 2005 with a composite score of 1100 in math and critical reading
 - SAT taken between 4/95 and 2005, math and verbal composite score of 1100
 - ACT composite score of 24
 - GRE math and verbal composite score of 1000

Q: When should I take the PRAXIS CORE exam if I need it?

A: Plan to take the PRAXIS CORE in your last summer or fall semester at CSM. You may take the exam up to 6 times a year. Go to www.praxis.org for more information.

Q: How often will I have to go to Towson during the 2+2 program?

A: There will be a mandatory meeting the summer before you begin your fall semester. This meeting will be on campus. At that time you will have a hearing and vision screening and get your TU ID card. There will be another meeting in January of your senior year as you prepare for graduation.

Q: Where will my classes be held?

A: Classes may be at the Waldorf Center for Higher Education, the CSM Prince Frederick campus, The Southern Maryland Higher Education Center or one of the TU Professional Development Schools in Charles, Calvert or St. Mary's County.

Q: Where will I do my student teaching?

A: Student teaching is done in specific Towson University Professional Development Schools in Charles, Calvert or St. Mary's County.



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Q: When will I start my student teaching?

A: You will spend time in schools starting with your first semester with TU; these placements are often referred to as internships. You will have internships in language arts, science and mathematics before student teaching. Actual student teaching will be everyday of your last semester in the program.

Q: How soon do I start at TU after graduating from CSM?

A: Classes begin for the TU cohort the summer after CSM's spring graduation. The program is a 2 year program that consists of fall, spring, summer and minimester courses.

Q: Who is the program coordinator? When should I meet with him/her?

A: Laurie Haynie is the Program Coordinator for the CSM/TSU program. You may call or e-mail with questions at any time. However, prior to graduating from CSM, look for information regarding an orientation meeting for students entering the CSM/TU 2+2 program. **Students must apply to Towson and register for classes in the fall before spring graduation from CSM.**

Q: How do I contact Laurie Haynie?

A: Mrs. Haynie can be reached at 301-632-2900 or lhaynie@towson.edu . She also has an office at the Waldorf Center.

Q: Do I have to maintain a certain GPA throughout the program?

A: Yes. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required.

Q: What happens if I fail a class?

A: If you fail a course, you must wait to retake the course until the following year. It is important to do your very best to avoid this occurrence.

Q: Will I receive a Bachelor's Degree from Towson University when I finish the program?

A: YES! You will receive a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Elementary Education from TU and will participate in the graduation exercises on the TU campus!

FOR FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS, CALL LAURIE HAYNIE 301-632-2900 or EMAIL lhaynie@towson.edu



Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

College of Education

2+2 College of Southern Maryland/Towson University Program

3261 Old Washington Rd
Waldorf, MD 20602
t. 301 632-2900

A few reasons why you may want to apply ...

- Degree awarded by Towson University---NCATE accredited and MSDE approved.
- **We accept SAT, ACT or Praxis I scores for admission. See www.ets.org/praxis/md for score requirements.**
- Certification in Elementary Education (grades 1-6*)
- Internships in Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties Professional Development Schools
- Graduates from our certification program are now employed by Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties Public Schools in elementary education classrooms
- Member of a cohort of fewer than 20 students per class
- Faculty from the Towson home campus and adjunct faculty from Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties Public Schools
- Student organization: Kappa Delta Pi Educational Honorary Society
- Convenient location at local community college campuses and county schools

*Graduates of this program are not certified to teach Kindergarten.

Cohorts are limited in the number of students who will be accepted and are filled on a first come, first served basis.





& CSM

Towson University & College of Southern Maryland and 2+2 Program

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- The Towson undergraduate program in Elementary Education and CSM is a partnership program that prepares students for certification in elementary education (grades 1-6).
- This program is a two year daytime and evening program, with the last semester being a full-time, day internship.
- Students complete their junior and senior years at schools and CSM campuses in Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's County Public School classrooms.
- Students are admitted to enter the program each Fall and Winter.
- The ELED program is a cohort program which admits a limited number of students each year, on a first come, first served basis. Students are encouraged to apply and submit all required documents early.
- Towson University is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and approved by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- To be considered for admission, students must submit an application and official transcripts of all college work, hold a 2.75 GPA, and provide copies of qualifying SAT, ACT or Praxis I scores.
- Students must have completed an Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) in Elementary Education from an approved program in a Maryland community college prior to starting classes.
- After admission, but prior to starting classes, students will attend orientations at Towson University and also complete a Criminal Background, Immunization form, and a Speech and Hearing Screening.
- Students should plan to apply in the Fall/Winter for entrance into the program the following Fall
Application deadlines: February 1 (priority)

Note: Students may apply prior to having met all admission requirements.

TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID

- Students should visit the Towson website at www.towson.edu for information regarding tuition and financial aid. It is vital that students follow the deadlines for financial aid applications.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Further information can be obtained by contacting Laurie Haynie, Program Coordinator at 301-632-2900 or lhaynie@towson.edu

STEPS to a Bachelor's of Science Degree in ELEMENTARY EDUCATION



& CSM College of Southern Maryland 2+2 Program

- ___ 1. **Enroll in a Maryland Community College to earn an Associate of Arts in Teaching (A.A.T.) degree in Elementary Education.** Keep in mind that you will need a minimum GPA of 2.75 and qualifying SAT, ACT or Praxis I scores to earn this degree. For information on qualifying test scores, visit: <http://www.ets.org/praxis/md/requirements/>.
- ___ 2. **Apply to Towson University.** Students are encouraged to apply and submit supporting Documents early. We will begin accepting applications for the following fall for the Towson University and College of Southern Maryland 2+2 Program. Fall Open House (usually in October). If you attend this meeting **please bring official transcripts, from all universities attended, and a photocopy of your qualifying Praxis I score report when you apply.** If you have not graduated, you must also send official transcripts to the Towson University Program Coordinator at CSM when you complete your A.A.T.
- ___ 3. **Get accepted to Towson University. Complete the online application, and pay the application fee.** Acceptance to Towson University is the first step to admission to the TU/CSM program; however, it does not equal admission to the Towson College of Education/CSM 2+2 program. **Please note that the required GPA for the College of Education is a 2.75. This is higher than the GPA required for general admission to Towson University.**
- ___ 4. **Get admitted to the TU/ CSM 2+ 2 program.** To qualify for admission to the TU/CSM program students must:
 - Be enrolled in an AAT program (to be completed by August prior to starting in the fall.) Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 (based on all colleges attended).
 - Submit qualifying scores on the SAT, ACT or Praxis I. **Qualifying test score must be submitted no later than May 1.***
 - Submit unofficial transcripts to the TU/CSM 2+2 Program Coordinator.
 - Complete/Return Enrollment Contract to the Towson University Admissions Office on or before May 1.
- ___ 5. **Earn an A. A. T. degree from a Maryland Community College.** See step one for additional degree information. **Students must submit final official transcripts (confirming receipt of the AAT) to the Towson University/ CSM 2+2 Program Coordinator prior to beginning classes.** The program begins cohorts every fall. We do NOT offer spring admissions.
- ___ 6. **Enroll in the two TU classes offered in Southern Maryland, SCED Ethics and Education and 320 Foundations of Writing** offered in the summer session BEFORE the FALL semester begins.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Further information can be obtained by contacting
Laurie Haynie, Program Coordinator, at 301-632-2900 or lhaynie@towson.edu



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Students are required to complete the AAT in Elementary Education from an approved Maryland community college. However, only 64 of the 68 credits in the AAT will transfer to Towson. In addition to the AAT, students will be required to take **two courses prior to the Fall semester.**

SUMMER PRIOR TO FALL ENTRANCE TU courses in Southern MD:

ELED 320 Foundations of Writing and Other Language Arts 3credits
 SCED 304 Ethics Education and Change 3 credits

FALL, YEAR 3 TU courses in Southern MD			SPRING, YEAR 3 TU courses in Southern MD		
		credits			credits
ELED 363	Language & Literacy Internship	3	MATH 324	Supervision/Observa./Participation in Elem. School Math (class & school placement)	2
ELED 323	Prin. /Prac. Of Instruction in Reading and Language Arts	3	SCI 376	Teaching Science in Elementary School (class & school placement)	3
ELED 357	English Language Learners	3	MATH 323	Teaching Mathematics in Elementary School	3
SPED 401	Curriculum and Methods of Inclusion	3	PHSC 303	Earth/Space Science	3
			BIOL 303	Life Sciences	3
WINTER, MINI-MESTER TU courses in Southern MD			TOTAL CREDITS		
		credits			14
ARED 401	Art and the Child	3			
TOTAL CREDITS		15			

FALL, YEAR 4 TU courses in Southern MD			SPRING, YEAR 3 TU courses in Southern MD		
		credits			credits
ELED 311	Child and Elementary School Curriculum/Assessment Seminar	3	ELED 468	Professional Development School Internship II (school placement)	12
ELED 312	Professional Development School Internship I (school placement)	3	ELED 469	Professional Development School Internship II Seminar	3
ELED 429	Princ/Prac Assessment in Reading and Language Arts	3	TOTAL CREDITS		
EDUC 417	Children's Literature and Other Material for Teaching Reading	3	15		
ELED 365	Teaching Social Studies	3	The Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) requires that all state teaching certification applicants must successfully complete the PRAXIS II exam(s). Students graduating from the ELED program will complete Praxis II requirements. Information can be found at: http://www.ets.org/praxis/md/requirements		
WINTER, MINI-MESTER TU courses in Southern MD					
ISTC 301	Integrating Instructional Technology	3			
TOTAL CREDITS		18			

**TOWSON UNIVERSITY/CSM 2+2 Program
B.S. IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

Towson University will accept scores from several standardized tests, in accordance with Maryland State Department of Education certification requirements. Students applying to a Towson University teacher education program are required to take, pass and submit scores from one of the following tests:

Test	Score
Praxis CORE	5712 Reading 156, 5722 Writing 162, 5732 Math 150
SAT (prior to April, 1995)	Math /Verbal 1000
SAT (after April, 1995)	Math/Verbal 1100
ACT	24
GRE (prior to September, 2011)	1000
GRE (after September, 2011)	297

- Praxis CORE: Reading, Writing and Math qualifying scores above
- SAT (taken after 2005): Math and Critical Reading composite score of 1100
- SAT (taken between April, 1995 and 2005): Math and Verbal composite score of 1100
- SAT (taken prior to April, 1995): Math and Verbal composite score of 1000
- ACT: Composite score of 24
- GRE (taken before Sept., 2011): Verbal and Quantitative composite score of 1000
- GRE (taken after Sept., 2011): Verbal and Quantitative composite score of 297

Need additional SAT, ACT, GRE or Praxis I score reports?

- All students are required to personally submit photocopies of score reports, even if score reports were sent to Towson from the test provider.
- Students should retain original score reports for their records.

The easiest and fastest way to submit your qualifying scores for your Towson/CSM 2+2 application is to e-mail a copy of your score report to:
lhaynie@towson.edu

SAT

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/scores/sending.html>

Has it been over a year since you took the SATs?

Visit:

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-old-sat-scores>

GRE

http://www.ets.org/gre/revised_general/scores/get/

Note: Score reports are only available for tests taken in the last 5 years.

ACT

<http://www.actstudent.org/faq/answers/whentested.html>

Praxis CORE

<http://www.ets.org/praxis/scores>

Note: Score reports are only available for tests taken in the last 10 years.

Visit: <http://www.ets.org/praxis/prxcbt.html>

<p>Baltimore – 5315 Prometric Testing Center 1000 Lancaster St. Suite A Baltimore, Maryland 21202 United States Of America (443)923-6400</p>	<p>Lanham – 3514 Prometric Testing Center 9841 Greenbelt Rd. Suite 101 Lanham, Maryland 20706 United States Of America (301)552-3400</p>
<p>Bethesda –3512 / 0019 Prometric Testing Center 8120 Woodmont Ave. Suite 150 Bethesda, Maryland 20814 United States Of America (301)718-9893 (301)718-9894</p>	<p>Salisbury – 3519 Prometric Testing Center 240 Tilghman Rd. Salisbury, Maryland 21804 United States Of America (410)341-4100</p>
<p>College Park – 7571 University of Maryland - College Park Counseling Center Testing Office 2101 Shoemaker Building Room 2112 College Park, Maryland 20742 United States Of America (301)314-0319</p>	<p>Towson – 0046 Prometric Testing Center 8501 Lasalle Rd Suite 115 Towson, Maryland 21286 United States Of America (410)823-9788</p>
<p>Columbia – 0084 Prometric Testing Center 6304 Woodside Court Columbia, Maryland 21046- United States of America (410)290-7787</p>	<p>Towson – 5476 Prometric Testing Center 8501 Lasalle Rd Suite 115 Towson, Maryland 21286 United States Of America (410)823-8724</p>
<p>Frostburg – 7751 Frostburg State University Pullen Hall Room 105A Frostburg, Maryland 21532 United States Of America (301)687-7990</p>	<p>Maryland Score Requirements: 5712 Reading: 156 5722 Writing: 162 5732 Math: 150</p>



& CSM College of Southern Maryland 2+2 Program

Cost Comparison

Tuition and Fees*

For the latest information on Towson University tuition and fees, please visit <http://www.towson.edu/adminfinance/fiscalplanning/bursar/tuitionandfees/>

Students who attend the TU/CSM 2+2 undergraduate program are billed under the Satellite Campus Rate Structure*

Satellite Locations 25 Miles or More from Towson University

Towson University offers reduced Auxiliary Services Fees, and excludes the Athletics Fee and the Student Government Association Fee, for classes taken at satellite locations 25 miles or more from the TU campus. Regular tuition rates apply. Note: Regular fees are assessed for classes that do not qualify for the satellite location rate reduction.

- For 11 or fewer units taken at satellite locations 25 miles or more from campus, undergraduate classes are assessed a \$42 per unit Auxiliary Services Fee and a \$7 per unit Technology Fee.
- For 12 or more units taken at satellite locations 25 miles or more from campus, undergraduate classes are assessed a \$493 per term Auxiliary Services Fee and an \$84 per term Technology Fee.

Other Fees: Students will also be subject to additional fees related to the major, such as a student teaching fee. To see a list of additional fees, please visit: <http://www.towson.edu/adminfinance/fiscalplanning/bursar/tuitionandfees/optionalfeesothercharges.asp>

*Towson University tuition, fees and the Satellite Campus Rate Structure are subject to change.

For the most updated information, visit:

<http://www.towson.edu/adminfinance/fiscalplanning/bursar/tuitionandfees/fall.ap>.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Students who attend a Towson University program can apply for scholarships offered by Towson University and scholarships. Maryland residents may also apply for scholarships offered through the Maryland Higher Education Commission. Below you will find more information on all of these scholarship opportunities.

Towson University

Office of Admissions Scholarships

<http://www.towson.edu/main/finaid/typesoffinaid/scholarships/enteringundergrad.asp>

If you are applying for admission to Towson University as an incoming freshman or transfer student, you may receive consideration for a scholarship from the Office of Admissions. The Office of Admissions awards these merit-based scholarships without regard to financial need, and with priority given to the earliest applicants for admission. Although you may not need a separate application for these scholarships, you must complete your admission application, and provide transcripts and test results by **December 1**.

Scholarship Seeker

<http://onestop.towson.edu/ss>

You can use the Scholarship Seeker to search for Towson University departmental scholarships, TU Foundation scholarships, and Maryland State Scholarships offered to Maryland residents by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC).

Financial Aid Websites

<http://www.towson.edu/main/finaid/financialaidwebsites.asp>

This page includes an extensive list of where students can go for various types of financial aid.

State of Maryland

<http://www.mhec.state.md.us/financialAid/descriptions.asp>

The state of Maryland offers scholarships and grants to Maryland residents who have financial need or merit, or a combination of both. Most programs require the completion of the FAFSA by the March 1 deadline. For more information about state of Maryland programs, visit the Web site.