

TOWSON UNIVERSITY

GRADUATE STUDIES

Early Childhood Education (M.Ed.)

Towson University's interdisciplinary master's degree in early childhood education gives students the support, knowledge and skills to grow competence in their current role or advance their career.

Students will gain skills in:

- Developmentally appropriate instruction;
- Family/Community outreach and support;
- Differentiated instruction;
- Instructional strategies for inclusive learning environments;
- Creating healthy and safe communities.

Program Advantages

- Towson University's long history as a national leader in teacher education;
- One of the largest early childhood departments in the United States;
- Programs accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the Maryland State Department of Education;
- Teacher scholars with impact;
- Supportive and accessible faculty who are national and regional leaders with reputations as scholars in early childhood education, multiculturalism, gifted education, special needs, language development and literacy, integrated curriculum, teacher preparation, English learners, and other areas;
- Opportunities to collaborate with schools in urban, suburban, and rural settings; and
- An option for certification for experienced educators.

Multi-County Program: Fall 2021

The full master's program available at Towson's main campus is delivered on site at a Baltimore County Public School (BCPS) setting. Courses offered in a hybrid format. Visit the Towson Learning Network to get information about applying to off-campus programs.

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**For more information on this
Multi-County Program, join
Zoom meeting:**

[https://towson-
edu.zoom.us/j/97718143458?pwd=UG9QdkJlNnBRNy9tZUI5MW5XTWdhZz09](https://towson-edu.zoom.us/j/97718143458?pwd=UG9QdkJlNnBRNy9tZUI5MW5XTWdhZz09)

May 6, from 5:30-6:30

Or visit:

[www.towson.edu/
childhoodmed](http://www.towson.edu/childhoodmed)

**Contact the
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Degree Requirements and Coursework

The program gives students the opportunity to select electives in advanced areas of specialization that support your area of focus. Core courses of the program include:

- ECED 607 Learner Diversity and Inclusion in Early Childhood Education (3)
- ECED 609 Growth & Development of Young Children (3)
- ECED 610 Learning Environments: Curriculum and Technology (3)
- ECED 611 Teacher as Researcher: Research Methods in Education (3)
- ECED 619 Assessment, Observation, & Evaluation in Early Childhood Education (3)
- ECED 665 Curriculum Development in Early Childhood Education (3)
- ECED 773 Seminar in Early Childhood Education (3)

Members of the collaborative will also take 4 electives, chosen to meet the diverse needs of children in today's classrooms. Possible electives include the following:

- ECED 603 Teacher-Learner Relationships (3)
- ECED 605 The Arts & Young Children (3)
- ECED 612 Conflict Resolution and Management in Early Childhood Education (3)
- ECED 614 Working with Linguistically Diverse Young Children and Their Families (3)
- ECED 608 Integrated Curriculum and Authentic Learning in Early Childhood Education (3)
- ECED 752 Families, Schools and Communities in a Contemporary Context (3)
- GACE 601 Introduction to Gifted Education and Talent Development (3)

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Along with the university requirements students must have or submit the following:

- Experience/background in the field with young children and families.
- Two professional narrative letters of recommendation (Email addresses of recommenders must be entered on application)
- A brief (two-page) admission essay discussing the applicant's experiences working with young children and families, and rationale for earning a master's degree related to professional goals and career aspirations.
- One or more of the following:
 - An undergraduate degree or graduate course work in Early Childhood Education, child development, family studies or a related field.
 - Teacher certification in early childhood education.
 - Teacher certification in elementary education plus 6 units in early childhood education.
 - A minimum of three years of professional experience in an early childhood program or related setting serving young children from birth to age 8.
 - Undergraduate courses in the following areas: educational psychology or psychology of learning, child growth and development, curriculum and methods in early childhood education.

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Application Deadlines

All materials must be submitted by:

July 1 for fall admission

If you would like additional directions prior to applying, email tl@towson.edu
Re: Multi-County ECED Program

How to apply:
<https://www.applyweb.com/towsntl>

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