



**TOWSON UNIVERSITY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**PART-TIME PARAEDUCATOR PATHWAY TO TEACHER CERTIFICATION**

**For Qualifying Educational Support Personnel**

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION/SPECIAL EDUCATION DEGREE**

This program is designed for **Harford County Public Schools (HCPS) Educational Support Personnel** who possess 45 to 60 undergraduate credits or an AA/AAT and wish to obtain a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Elementary Education/Special Education (EASE) on a part time basis. This close to home opportunity, at Towson University in Northeastern MD (TUNE), blends working full-time with part-time hybrid course work and on-the-job field placements in order to obtain eligibility for teacher certification.

**PROGRAM FEATURES**

- ◆ Hybrid courses: classes offered in-person at TUNE and online
- ◆ Evening classes to allow for a full time working schedule
- ◆ 2.5 year path to Bachelor of Science Degree
- ◆ Manageable course load: part-time study compliments work schedules
- ◆ Connection to practice: assignments prepare you for certification and are completed in current school setting , On-the-Job field placements
- ◆ Learning supported by experienced, full-time TU faculty and academic advisor
- ◆ Tuition benefits available for HCPS employees. Consult your HR office for details.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

- ◆ Contact Toni Guidi, Program Coordinator, at [tguidi@towson.edu](mailto:tguidi@towson.edu) and provide an unofficial transcript for review of application status
- ◆ Complete the Spring 2025 Towson University application
- ◆ Provide official transcripts from all previously attended colleges
- ◆ Consult HCPS HR regarding eligibility for tuition remission benefits

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**PROGRAM SEQUENCE FOR PARA-PATHWAY**

**WINTER I:** SPED 413

**SPRING I:** ELED 412 & ELED 413

**SUMMER I:** SPED 441 & ELED 320

**FALL II:** PHSC 303 & SCIE 376, ELED 424

**WINTER II:** SPED 425

**SPRING II:** MATH 323 & MATH 324, ELED 426

**SUMMER II:** SPED 430

**FALL III:** ELED 429 & EASE 474 & 476 (teaching internships)

**WINTER III:** EASE 431

**SPRING III:** EASE 485 & EASE 475 & 477 (teaching internships)