As the first teacher-training institution in Maryland, Towson University has a distinguished history in the preparation of classroom teachers, educational specialists and school leaders. Programs of study in the College of Education include baccalaureate degrees with teacher certification in early childhood education, middle school education, elementary education and special education. The College of Education offers a program leading to teacher certificates of advanced study (post-master’s) in secondary education for those enrolled in baccalaureate degree programs in other colleges of the university.

Programs at the graduate level lead to master’s degrees with initial or advanced certification in teaching, special education, school administration, reading specialist and media specialist. Master’s degree programs in early childhood education, elementary education and secondary education are aligned with the certification standards of the National Board for Professional Teaching. Doctoral and master’s degrees are offered in the area of instructional technology. Programs of study within the College of Education are constantly assessed and organized to provide students at all levels with a professional education based on current research models of best practice and the needs of the larger professional community.

Faculty members in the College of Education actively participate in the academic community as teachers, scholars and advisers. They are dedicated to the mission of the college as it applies to all educators in all educational settings: to inspire, educate and prepare facilitators of active learning for diverse and inclusive communities of learners in environments that are technologically advanced.

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**Doctoral Degree Program**

- Instructional Technology (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/instructional-technology-edd)

**Certificates of Advanced Study (Post-Master’s)**

- Organizational Change (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/interdisciplinary-programs/organizational-change-certificate) (See Interdisciplinary Programs section)
- Reading Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/reading-education-certificate)

**Master’s Degree Programs**

- Early Childhood Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/early-childhood-education-med)
- Elementary Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/elementary-education-med)
- Gifted and Creative Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/gifted-and-creative-education)
- Instructional Technology (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/instructional-technology-ms)
- Reading Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/reading-education-med)
- Secondary Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/secondary-education-med)
- Special Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/special-education-med)
- Teaching (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/teaching-mat)
- Transformational Educational Leadership (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/transformational-educational-leadership)

**Certification**

- Administration I Certification (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/administrator-i-certification)
- Library Media Specialist (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/instructional-technology-ms)
- Reading Specialist (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/reading-education-certificate)

**Post-Baccalaureate Certificate**

- Action Research for School Improvement (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/action-research)
- Autism Spectrum Disorder in the Classroom (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/autism-spectrum-disorder-classroom-pbc)
- Community Engagement and Leading School Change (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/community-engagement-and-leading-school-change)
- Educational Technology (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/educational-technology)
- Foundations of Special Education (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/foundations-special-education-pbc)
- Instructional Design and Development (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/instructional-design-and-development)
- Teaching English Learners (http://catalog.towson.edu/graduate/degree-certificate-programs/education/teaching-english-learners)