State/National/Military Exchange Programs

Towson University students may expand their educational opportunities by studying in universities throughout Maryland, the United States and in countries around the world. In some programs, students are able to pay tuition approximately equal to that at TU (plus transportation), while others will require additional funds. Students considering one of the off-campus study options will want to plan ahead for their experience.

Inter-Institutional Registration & Baltimore Student Exchange Programs
Enrollment Services Center, Room 241, 410-704-2007

The Inter-Institutional Registration Program (IIR) at Towson University is designed to foster an interchange of students between TU and other University System of Maryland (USM) institutions. Additionally, certain private colleges, such as Goucher College, Johns Hopkins University, Loyola University Maryland, Maryland Institute College of Art, Morgan State University, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Peabody Institute of JHU and Stevenson University also participate in a similar program called the Baltimore Student Exchange Program (BSEP), with no additional tuition costs to students.

Students who are interested in the IIR or BSEP should contact the TU coordinator at interinstitutional@towson.edu. Qualifying students must be full time, degree-seeking students in good academic standing and hold sophomore status or higher. Students must maintain a combined full load (12 or more units) with a minimum of 6 units at TU. With approval of the coordinator, students may register for one course in a spring or fall term with a maximum of two courses per academic year at the host institution. Enrollment is on a space-available basis. Students must obtain special permits or instructor consent to register for courses that require permission to register at the host institution. Students participating in these programs must follow the academic calendar at the host institution including add/drop and withdrawal deadlines.

At the end of the term, the host institution's Registrar will send an official transcript to TU. The courses completed and grades earned will be posted to the Towson University record and calculated into the Towson University cumulative grade point average. Additionally, a notation will be made that the coursework was completed through the program, indicating the name of the host institution.

Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC)
Enrollment Services Center, Room 241, 410-704-2007

Undergraduate students who meet certain eligibility criteria may participate in officer training for the military. TU will accept transfer units earned from a recognized ROTC Program sponsored by an accredited college or university. The Army ROTC program is coordinated through Loyola University Maryland (410-617-2276). The Air Force ROTC program is coordinated with the University of Maryland College Park (301-314-3242). Courses will be considered upper-level or lower-level units as defined by the transferring school and are applicable as elective units toward a TU degree. ROTC units are considered to be non-traditional units and are included in the 45 non-traditional unit maximum allowed by academic policy.

National Student Exchange (NSE)
Lecture Hall, Room 5, 410-704-3405

This program allows full-time degree candidates an opportunity to become acquainted with social and educational patterns in other areas of the United States. Through TU’s membership in the NSE, students may attend another NSE college/university in the United States, its territories and several universities in Canada for a term or a full year while paying tuition and fees to TU. For more information, contact Kerica Henlon, 410-704-3405 or the Registrar’s Inter-Institutional Office at interinstitutional@towson.edu.