

■ Academic Coaching

Individual appointments can be scheduled for informal diagnostics and academic coaching. Students are encouraged to reflect on their own learning process. Increased proficiency in fundamental skills is achieved by exploring the students strengths and by applying the appropriate techniques recommended by learning theorists. All students are welcome.

■ Academic Evaluation Tools

The Academic Achievement Center offers inventories for students to assist with enhancing learning. Areas of strength are identified and recommendations are provided. Please contact us to make an appointment.

- Learning Styles Inventory
- Computer-Assisted Study Skills Inventory (CASSI)
- Learning and Study Strategies Inventory (LASSI)
- Strengths Quest

■ Other Campus Resources

English Department Writing Services

Writing Lab

Linthicum Hall 308

410-704-3426

Director: Dr. Deborah Shaller

Provides help with writing, brainstorming ideas and outlining the structure of papers/essays at the graduate and undergraduate levels

Writing Support Program

Linthicum Hall 201B

410-704-2857

Director: Ms. Margaret Benner

Provides tutoring for sentence-level and grammar skills

www.towson.edu/ows/

ESOL Writing Services

Administration Building 216

410-704-5016

Director: Dr. Carol Pippen

Provides tutoring for students for whom English is a second language

Writing Program's Computer Lab

Linthicum Hall 207

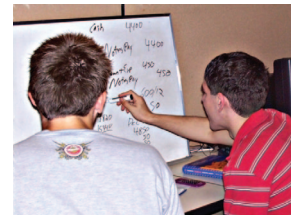
410-704-3834

Director: James Hardin

Provides computer software for writing-skills improvement

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER

Advancing Students and Enhancing Learning



Tutoring

Academic
Coaching

Study
Groups/
Success
Teams

Strategy
Workshops



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Message from the Director

The Academic Achievement Center (AAC) coordinates the student support services of study skills development, tutorial services and study groups. We help students become independent learners. The full-service learning center offers diagnostic and prescriptive assistance designed to help students earn better grades. Our desire is that students reach their academic goals, promoting integrity in the educational environment.

Terri Massie-Burrell, Director

Services

- Learning strategies development—over 14 workshops offered each term
- Tutoring in over 130 classes, totaling close to 4,000 hours overall for the AAC and satellite tutoring labs combined
- Study groups/success teams
- Academic coaching
- Make up testing for DVMT (must be approved by class instructor)
- Assistance for students on academic suspension
- Placement testing

Tutoring

Tutorial services are provided free-of-charge for most 100- and 200-level courses and depend upon the availability of a qualified tutor. Students are assisted on a first-come, first-served basis and are provided appointment-based (one hour/per week/per course) or group drop-in (quick questions 15-20 minutes) tutoring depending on the subject.

Peer tutors have earned A or B+ grades in relevant course work and are recommended by TU faculty. Each tutor is required to complete training through our program.

Visit our website to find out whether the course you are seeking assistance in is offered on a drop-in or appointment-based schedule. You can contact us at 410-704-2291 for assistance.



Network Resources

The AAC is located in the Cook Library and there are four satellite labs. We hire, train and supervise approximately 50 tutors per term, while providing tutoring in over 130 courses.

Our tutor training program is certified by CRLA (College Reading and Learning Association).

Academic Achievement Center

Cook Library Room 524
410-704-2291

Provides drop-in as well as appointment-based tutoring in many lower-division and a limited number of upper-division undergraduate courses.

Computer Science Tutorial

7800 York Road 407
410-704-2424
Coordinator: Mr. Richard Webster

Natural Sciences Tutorial

Smith Hall 538
410-704-3054
Coordinator: Ms. Liina Ladon
Biology/Chemistry Tutorials
Physical Science/Physics Tutorials

Mathematics Tutorial

7800 York Road 105
410-704-2291
Coordinator: Ms. Stefanie Hunt

Music Tutorial

Center for the Arts 3088
410-704-2819
Coordinator: Dr. Kalin Kirilov

Workshops

- The Balancing Act: Goal Setting and Time Management
- Ten Ways to Achieve Academic Success
- Memorization, Concentration and Testing
- Assessing Your Academic Performance
- Studying for Math and Science Exams
- Preparation for Finals
- Improving Textbook Reading and Comprehension

For a list of current workshop dates and times, or to download the presentation, visit our website, www.towson.edu/aac.

Study Groups/Success Teams

Success Teams provide academic support for general education courses, developmental reading and math. A success team is a task-oriented study system that requires students to employ active learning skills in a small group setting.

SSGs are designed to model effective student behavior. Our role is to provide examples of active and engaged learning, which is demonstrated during the study groups.