



## ***Master of Arts in Teaching Program***

### **One-Year Program**

#### **Program Description**

The Master of Arts in Teaching Program at Towson University is a graduate program culminating in the completion of a master's degree and certification in a State of Maryland approved program. The One-Year Program allows full-time students to complete the master's degree and certification requirements in three semesters (summer, fall, and spring) of course work and internship experience.

Designed to provide participants with substantive classroom experience, this full-time program includes an extended internship in an exemplary classroom in a Professional Development School. These school-based placements will provide interns the opportunity to work closely with school-based faculty in a yearlong professional internship.

University faculty and experienced school practitioners collaborate to enable participants to make meaningful connections between college course work and classroom experience. Graduates of the one-year program will have spent 120+ days actively involved in public school classrooms and are described by school system human resources specialists as "beginning their teaching careers as though they are second year, experienced teachers."

#### **Program Highlights**

##### ***One-Year Program***

- Start in the summer (late May) and graduate the following spring (late May)
- Classes offered mainly during the day, with some evening courses, particularly during the fall and spring semesters when interns are in day-time classroom internships

##### ***University Faculty***

- MAT Faculty are experienced practitioners who model best practices and are actively involved in the field of education.

##### ***Advisement***

- Individualized attention to each student's program of study

##### ***Field Experiences in Varied Settings***

- Theory-practice connections made in opportunities to observe classrooms
- Minimum of two full days per week of supervised internship in semester prior to student teaching (fall)
- Supervised 18-week internship (student teaching) during final (spring) semester

##### ***Portfolio Assessment***

- With the full support of MAT Faculty, each candidate creates a professional portfolio as a program exit requirement.