

Hussman Center for Adults with Autism

Hussman Center for Adults with Autism Summer 2025 Programs

<u>General information for all programs</u>: If you have <u>never</u> attended a program at the Hussman Center <u>or have not attended in over 2 years</u> you are required to attend a Hussman Center Intake Meeting with the Hussman Center Staff. Sign up for an intake meeting here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E48A4AB2CA4FB6-56847976-hussman</u> Please proceed to complete the <u>program interest process</u> before your scheduled intake meeting.

All Hussman Center programs include interaction with Towson University students who are there to learn about autism by engaging with program participants. Participants need to be able to join program activities without assistance from a 1-1 support person. For advice about program selection, please contact us @ hcaa@towson.edu or call 410.704.7300. Programs begin the week of June 30th and conclude the week of August 4th unless otherwise noted. (i.e. Gaming & Multi Modal Conversations)

CLICK TO FILL OUT THE PROGRAM INTEREST FORM.

Please note that programs are not filled on a first come first-serve basis. Staff consider many factors when filling programs. We will do our best to get you a spot in your first and/or second choice. You will be notified by email by June 10th as to which program(s) has(have) room for you. You will be required to respond to that email by June 13th to confirm your program spot(s).

Community Integration Programs:		
These programs facilitate opportunities to engage in fun activities with Towson University students who co-participate and learn more about autism from autistic adults.		
Program Details	Program Description	
Garden Club Program Facilitator: Doug DeHaan, M.Ed. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Monday Time: 1:00 – 2:30 PM Dates: June 30 July 7, 14, 21, 28 August 4	Participants in this program will have the opportunity to socialize with peers while learning more about gardening and participating in gardening skills both at the Hussman Center and at the TU Urban Garden. Participants should be prepared to engage in learning activities that support engagement in learning about the gardening process from preparation to harvest. There will be active opportunities to plant seeds, pull weeds, so be prepared with adequate clothing for the warm summer weather!	
Program Fee: \$200 Location: IWB- Fitness Studio		



Trivia	This program provides participants with an
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Program Facilitator: Heather Hinson, BA	and semi-competitive environment. By engaging in
Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW	team-based trivia activities together, participants will
Day Manday	learn with their peers and learn about their peers.
Day: Monday	They will make decisions which benefit the group.
Time: 4:30- 6:00 PM	Participants should have an interest in joining the
Dates:	trivia-based activities and socializing with others.
June 30	
July 7, 14, 21, 28	
August 4	
Program Fee: \$230	
Location: Hussman Center	
Craftsmanship	Craftsmanship offers us an opportunity to create
Program Facilitator: Doug DeHaan, M.Ed.	things from wood and use a variety of tools to create
Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW	items. Options for construction include bird houses,
	bird feeders and more. It will also give us an
Day: Tuesday	opportunity to practice safety and construction skills.
Time: 12:00 – 1:30 PM	Participants will have the opportunity to demonstrate
Dates:	executive functioning and self-management skills in a comfortable environment by engaging in activities.
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	connortable environment by engaging in activities.
August 5	
Program Fee: \$200	
Location: Hussman Center	
Work Possibilities Tuesday	The Work Possibilities program provides participants
Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger OTD, OTR/L	an opportunity to practice workplace social and
Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW	communication skills while trying a rotation of jobs
	around the Towson University campus. While the
Day: Tuesday	Work Possibilities program does not provide
Time: 1:00 – 3:00 PM	vocational services, activities are designed to help
Dates:	individuals who are preparing to enter a vocational
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	training program soon, who are actively looking for a
August 5	job, or who have encountered challenges at work
	previously by strengthening readiness for training and
	employment. Some classes take place at the Hussman
	Center, and most work sites are located on the TU
Program Fee: \$270	campus and nearby community. Participants are
Locations: Hussman Center and Towson University	responsible for providing their own transportation to
Campus	and from the Towson University campus and must be
	able to get to the various worksites independently.



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Scrapbooking & Cardmaking Program Facilitator: Kari Curtis, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Tuesday Time: 2:00 - 3:30 PM Dates: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 August 5 Program Fee: \$250 Location: Hussman Center	Participants will express their artistic style and personality by creating a personalized scrapbook that will preserve their memories through an organized album. Using a variety of materials, participants will learn new skills and techniques from creating basic layouts to layering and stamping for 3D effects. Participants will have the opportunity to share ideas and connect with others while creating their scrapbooks. Throughout the summer session, participants will also create a variety of greeting cards that will be sure to brighten someone's day
Art Club Program Facilitator: Kari Curtis, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Tuesday Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM Dates: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 August 5	Participants in this art program work on art projects to express themselves and connect with others. Projects might include watercolor; drawing; collage; or art made from found objects. The emphasis of the program is on artistic expression, sharing ideas, compromising, and creating an artistic space together. Participants may have the opportunity to share their creations in an end of program art show. No prior art experience necessary.
Program Fee: \$250 Location: Hussman Center Gaming Club- 4 Week Program Program Facilitator: Joshua Donaldson, M.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Tuesday Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM July 1, 8, 15, 22 Program Fee: \$140 Location: Hussman Center	This program provides participants with an opportunity to build a sense of community with peers, strengthen interpersonal skills and deepen self- awareness. By engaging in board games, card games, video games, and other activities together, participants will also practice solving problems, learning with their peers and learning about their peers. They will make decisions which benefit the group. Participants should have an interest in joining the activities and socializing with others.
Work Possibilities Wednesday Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger OTD, OTR/L Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Wednesday Time: 1:00 – 3:00 PM Dates: July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 6	The Work Possibilities program provides participants an opportunity to practice workplace social and communication skills while trying a rotation of jobs around the Towson University campus. While the Work Possibilities program does not provide vocational services, activities are designed to help individuals who are preparing to enter a vocational training program soon, who are actively looking for a job, or who have encountered challenges at work previously by strengthening readiness for training and



Program Fee: \$270 Locations: Hussman Center and Towson University Campus Multi Modal Communications	employment. Some classes take place at the Hussman Center, and most work sites are located on the TU campus and nearby community. Participants are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from the Towson University campus and must be able to get to the various worksites independently. This group will include multi-modal conversations
Program Facilitator: Carly Donnelly, M.Ed., CCC-SLP Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW 5 Weeks** beginning June 25th Day: Wednesday Time: 2:00 – 3:30 PM Dates: June 25 July 2, 9, 16, 23 Program Fee: \$180	about special interests, led by training speech pathologists to best encourage others to self- advocate and communicate about what makes them unique. Participants should be interested in sharing their special interests and learning about the interests of others.
Location: Hussman Center	This program provides the participants with
Cooking 101 Program Facilitator: Steven Isaacson, MSW Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Wednesday Time: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM Dates: July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 6	opportunities to engage with one another in learning about the basics of the meal preparation process, including safety in the kitchen, planning for and making meals, clean-up, and food safety. Participants will have the opportunity to demonstrate executive functioning and self-management skills in a comfortable environment by engaging in activities and meaningful discussions about wellness and other relevant topics.
Program Fee: \$290 Location: Hussman Center	
Co-Ed Activities Program Facilitator: Randy Holter, B.A. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Wednesday Time: 4:30 - 6:00 PM Dates: July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 6	Participants in this program will engage in activities together. Activities may include board games, yard games, trivia, Robots, cooking or baking to name a few. Participants should be prepared to express ideas for the group and participate in a variety of activities throughout the summer session.
Program Fee: \$ 210 Location: Hussman Center	



Healthy Relationships Program Facilitator: Destiny Jones, B.S. Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch MSW Day: Wednesday Time: 5:00 - 6:30 PM Dates: July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 August 6 Program Fee: \$ 210 Location: Hussman Center	Participants work collaboratively to learn about relationships within various contexts to include effective communication, healthy conflict, establishing boundaries, the impact of substance use on relationships, navigating intimacy, and investing in self-care along the way through discussion and experiential activities.
Baking with Dr. Burger Program Facilitator: Matthew Burger, OTD Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Thursday Time: 1:00 – 3:00 PM Dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 August 7 Program Fee: \$290 Location: Hussman Center	Explore the art of Baking with Dr. Burger! This program will give you tips for baking and an opportunity to experience the process of baking a variety of items. Participants should have an interest in joining in the baking activities and socializing with others. *Dietary Restrictions/ Allergens will be considered with ingredients*
Act with Max Program Facilitator: Max Hambleton Program Supervisor: Brittany Bunch, MSW Day: Thursday Time: 3:00 - 4:30 PM Dates: July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 August 7 Program Fee: \$210 Location: Hussman Center	Acting group provides opportunity for participants to work on different scripts and acting techniques focusing on the 2 cornerstones of acting" Voice & Body, Emotional Life, Imagination, and Script Analysis. This course will provide an opportunity to improve feelings of anxiety and stress while you have fun becoming someone else.