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is available!*

Preparing Relationship-based Early Intervention Personnel: PREP Project

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Early Childhood/Infancy program in the Department of Special Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign has been awarded federal funding to support students interested in attaining a **master's degree in early childhood special education, with an emphasis on working with infants/toddlers with disabilities and their families**. This is a 2 year program of study for full-time students; some students also work toward this degree on a part-time basis.

Completion of the master's program will provide the student with the coursework and practicum experiences necessary to apply for the **Illinois Early Intervention Developmental Therapist** credential. Future employment opportunities for individuals holding this credential include

- early interventionist in a social service agency that serves infants/toddlers with disabilities
- self-employed service provider in early intervention
- child care provider or early interventionist in an integrated child care setting

Funding will be available through the PREP Project to approximately 10 students per year, beginning Summer 2005. Funding consists of a tuition waiver plus waiver of some fees, and a traineeship (10 hours/week; approximately \$666/month compensation). Funding is limited and will be awarded on a competitive basis.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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