Interdisciplinary Training to Serve Young Children with Autism and High Intensity Needs

Master’s Degree Concentration

An exciting opportunity offered through the University of Connecticut to prepare students to enter professional practice in a variety of inclusive early childhood educational settings, children and family’s homes, and community settings, while collaborating with providers, families and administrators. Students will be trained to provide early intervention and early childhood special education to infants and young children who have ASD and their families.

**Aspects of the Training Program**

- 10 hour GA funded through UConn Health completed by doing scholarly activities
- 12 month tuition waiver including the summer course and practicum activities
- 12 months of a stipend ($1,300 a month)
- A Certificate in Interdisciplinary Early Intervention with Infants and Toddlers with ASD

**Scholar Requirements**

- 12 additional credit hours made up of 3 hybrid classes (online with some in person meetings) & a summer practicum (these may count towards your electives, see your advisor):
  1. Family centered and culturally competence practice for young children with Autism (offered in the Fall)
  2. Assessment and intervention of infants and young children with Autism and evidence-based practice (offered in the Spring)
  3. Teaming and collaboration across disciplines for infants and young children with Autism (offered in the Summer)
  4. Intensive interdisciplinary practicum & Seminar (offered in the Summer)

- Trainees will complete the program requirements in August
- A 2 year post graduation service requirement that trainees will be required to work with infants & young children with disabilities

**Interested in Learning More?**

If you are a current first year master’s student please email your interest to:
- Early Childhood Special Education: Dr. Mary Beth Bruder at bruder@uchc.edu
- Speech Language Pathology: Dr. Bernard Grela at Bernard.grela@uconn.edu
- School of Social Work: Dr. Cristina Wilson at Cristina.wilson@uconn.edu