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COMMUNICATION FOR YOUNG CHILDREN TO ENHANCE LEARNING (CYCEL) DOCTORAL LEADERSHIP GRANT

The College of Education at Florida State University (FSU) is pleased to announce a new U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) doctoral leadership grant focusing on the language, emergent literacy, and pro-social behavior of children birth to 5 years old who are at risk for developmental delays or have identified disabilities (including children with complex

communication needs and autism spectrum disorder). Program educational and research opportunities emphasize the inter-relatedness of the three developmental domains (language, literacy and behavior). The program prepares scholars for faculty positions in institutions of higher education and addresses research, research-to-practice, university teaching, university service, and leadership skills to promote the inclusion, opportunity, and equity of all students.

CYCEL (Communication for Young Children to Enhance Learning) will support 5 scholars to complete their Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction with a major in Special Education in 4 years beginning in the fall of 2018. Scholars will attend full time and be provided tuition waivers for required coursework and a stipend each semester. Additional support is available to fund conference travel and dissertation research. Scholars will adhere to the requirements established by the U.S. Department of Education and Implemented by the Personnel Development Program Data Collection Center: <https://pdp.ed.gov/OSEP>.

The College of Education at FSU ranks among the best, and the special education faculty are nationally recognized for research that improves outcomes for students with disabilities. Scholars will be actively mentored by faculty and engaged in applied research, university teaching, and professional/community service.

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