Kaiser Educare Scholarship

Introduction

The Kaiser Education Scholarship of \$5,000 per academic year is available to each qualified, senior-level early childhood teacher candidate who participates in the Education Professionally Immersed Co-teaching (EPIC) program in an Educare classroom, thanks to a partnership between Northeastern State University's College of Education (NSUCOE) and the George Kaiser Family Foundation (GKFF).

Amount of the Scholarship

Each student selected for this scholarship will receive \$5,000 total for the two semesters (fall/spring or spring/fall they are enrolled in the EPIC program. One-half (\$2,500) of the annual award will be made for the first semester the student is enrolled in the EPIC program. The second half (\$2,500) of the annual award will be made for the first semester if the student continues to meet all of the qualifications.

Required Qualifications

Qualified applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Be accepted into the Education Professionally Immersed Co-teaching (EPIC) program.
- Be placed in an Educare classroom under the direct supervision of qualified Early Childhood clinical faculty.
 Meet the following requirements:
 - * Participate in EPIC, which will span one academic year (fall/spring & spring/fall) 27-30 credit hours (14 hrs. internship, 13-16 hrs. coursework requisite of major).
 - * Follow the same daily schedule of the assigned clinical faculty for the duration of the academic year; 1st day to last day.
 - * Spend a minimum of 3 days per week with the assigned clinical faculty for weeks 1 through 18.
 - Spend a minimum of 4 days per week with the assigned clinical faculty for weeks 18 through 22.
 - * Spend 5 days per week with the assigned clinical faculty for weeks 23 through 32.
 - * Successfully complete, during the course of the EPIC experience, the following assignments completed by an assigned university coordinator:
 - * Four Lesson Observations; one each quarter (two per semester) via Chalk & Wire.
 - * Documentation of candidate progression and performance end of each quarter (paper).
 - * Discussion of candidate progression and performance with clinical faculty and candidate at the end of each quarter.

4. Maintain a grade point average of 2.75 (4.0 scale).

Application Process

- * Complete and submit the scholarship <u>application</u> to Dr. Tracy Thompson, Bagley Hall 227.
- The selection recommendation will be made by a committee composed of individuals selected by the Dean of the College of Education.

Questions?

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