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GEORGIA'S HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

THE FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CREDENTIAL

Child Care Resource & Referral Agency
of Central Georgia at Macon

Would you like to...

- Earn a credential to further validate and professionalize the work you do with families?
- Receive college credit recommendation for that credential?
- Develop strength-based skills to work more effectively with families?
- Join Cornell University's nationwide family development movement?

**Earn 90
state-approved hours
for child care providers!**

If you answered **YES**, then this program is for **YOU!**

Originated as a collaborative effort based on the research of Cornell University and New York State's Council on Children and Families' Commissioners' Work Group on Family Support, the first Family Development Credential (FDC) was offered by Cornell University in 1997. *Since then, more than 9,000 professionals in 19 states have earned their FDC!*

Course Requirements

- 90 hours of interactive classroom study
- 10-30 hours of individual advisement and skill practice
- Course Textbook: *Empowerment Skills for Family Workers* (2003)
- Final exam
- Portfolio development, documenting knowledge and skills

Curriculum Modules

- A Sustainable Route to Healthy Self-Reliance
- Communicating with Skill and Heart
- Taking Care of Yourself
- Diversity
- Strength-Based Assessment
- Helping Families Set and Reach Their Own Goals
- Accessing Specialized Services
- Home and Personal Visits
- Facilitation, including the New Zealand Model of Family Meetings
- Collaboration and Community Building

Goals

- Learn new ways to develop partnerships with the families you serve
- Learn how to assist families in assessing their needs and strengths
- Learn how to empower families to set their own goals and assist in planning the steps to get them there
- Learn how to promote the family's sense of responsibility, strengthening the family unit so they are better able to handle future challenges.

Graduates of the MCG CCR&R FDC course are saying...

One graduate stated, "I especially enjoyed the opportunities for interaction and networking with others in the class. The format for open and honest discussion in a diverse group was very enlightening....It was an awesome and informative experience."

Another graduate stated that she learned "a kinder approach to saying what you mean and getting your point across in a positive manner."

Yet another said, "This program is life changing....Thank you."

Cost and Application

\$1,250 covers all course fees—course materials, credentialing fee, and lunches.

A payment plan is available.

2010 course dates and location: TBA

Interested in learning more? Have questions?

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