

Institute for Disability Studies
MITTS Memo: Special Course Announcement
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This is a special memo to announce a course for the Fall 2005 semester at The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg campus.

Assessment of Young Children with Disabilities (CD 628/SPE 628) is a core course in the Early Intervention master's degree training program within the departments of Child Development and Special Education. Those interested in taking the course but are not interested in course credit may audit or sit in for CEU credits or early intervention credits. The course will meet on the following Fridays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. with a one-hour lunch break:

- September 9
- September 23
- October 7
- October 21
- November 4
- November 18
- December 2

The course will focus on an ecological framework for assessment including assessment in natural environments and within daily routines. Information will be provided on organizing and implementing interagency and inter/transdisciplinary approaches to assessment. Students will become familiar with screening, evaluation, and assessment instruments and will be provided opportunities outside of class for hands-on experience. The assessment process including intake, pre-staffing, evaluation/assessment, post staffing, report preparation and the informing interview will be covered.

Those interested in attending the course should contact Dr. Jane Siders or Nelda Moree at (601)266-5163.

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