

Early Childhood Education Search On-Campus Interview Questions

Candidate:

Date:

Time:

Interviewers: Drs. Juliet Wahleithner (Chair), Heather Horsley, Steve Hart, and Cory Brooks (EEOD)

Good morning/afternoon. The search committee, Dr. Heather Horsley (Asst. Professor of early Childhood Education), Dr. Steve Hart (Assoc. Professor of Literacy Education), and I will be taking turns asking you questions. Dr. Cory Brooks (Assoc. Professor of Biochemistry) is the EEOD and will observe our interview. You'll have about 4-5 minutes to answer each question. If you need time to think about your response, please let us know.

- 1) **Juliet:** This position requires knowledge of early childhood education, and its various flows and trajectories. What theories related to early childhood education or scholars have been most important to your development as a scholar and / or practitioner? Which thinkers and authors would you like to bring into a syllabus (and why)?
- 2) **Heather:** We are in the process of developing a new credential that would prepare educators to teach in PreSchool through Third Grade contexts. What experiences do you have that you would bring to this process? This might include experiences with curriculum development, accreditation, program leadership, or anything else that you think is relevant and that we should know about.
- 3) **Steve:** Please describe how you would prepare future teachers to support the language and literacy development of linguistically and culturally diverse children and families?
- 4) **Juliet:** What can we learn from your current research project that has implications for your work preparing early childhood educators? What are your future research goals?
- 5) **Heather:** What is your experience teaching diverse students, and how would your teaching philosophy support the success of our diverse students in your classroom?
- 6) **Steve:** How might you contribute to the University's mission to create and sustain diverse perspectives and an inclusive environment?
- 7) **Juliet:** What questions do you have for us?