Chipola Educator Preparation Institute offers free tuition

Chipola College is offering free tuition for a new program to help college graduates enter the teaching field.

The Florida Department of Education in 2006 designated Chipola as an Educator Preparation Institute (EPI). The program is designed for college graduates with a bachelor’s degree—in a subject other than education—who want to earn the credentials to become a Florida certified teacher.

Dr. Kitty Myers, Chipola’s Vice President of Instruction and Baccalaureate Programs, says, “This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone with a bachelor’s degree who is interested in entering the teaching field.”

Myers says the course of study offers requires six to eight classes leading to certification in four areas: math education, science education, exceptional student education and elementary education.

Students must complete from 19 to 25 semester hours of coursework as well as some field experience. Enrollees will work through all three portions of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination during the program. Those who successfully complete the program will receive certification from the Florida Department of Education.

Perhaps the best news for aspiring teachers is the fact that Chipola pays the tuition through a Succeed Florida grant.

In addition to the Educator Preparation Institute for students already holding a bachelor’s degree, Chipola also awards bachelor’s degrees in Mathematics Education (6–12), Biology Education (6–12), Middle Grades Mathematics Education (5–9) and Middle Grades Science Education (5–9). Tuition is free for these programs as well. A new bachelor’s degree in Applied Business Management begins in January of 2008. Free tuition may be available to the first 20 applicants.

For information about the program, call 850-718-2276.

Gulf Power increases Chipola scholarship fund

Gulf Power in Chipley recently added $1,000 to the Gulf Power Endowed Scholarship Fund at Chipola College. Here Darrin Wall, Gulf Power manager (right), presents the check to Chipola Foundation director Julie Fuqua (left) and Chipola president Dr. Gene Prough.
Fall application deadline is Aug. 2

Application deadline is Aug. 2 for new students planning to enroll in Fall classes at Chipola College.

New student testing and regular registration for returning students is Aug. 15. New and returning student registration is Aug. 16 and 17. Classes begin Aug. 20.

Chipola’s open-door policy guarantees acceptance to any student with a standard high school diploma. Prospective students should complete a college application which is available in the Office of Admissions and Records, or online at www.chipola.edu. Students also must provide an official high school or college transcript.

Chipola offers day and evening courses, as well as independent study and online courses. The college’s Associate in Arts Degree provides the first two years of general education courses for students planning to earn a bachelor’s degree. Associate in Science Degree programs provide two years of professional training in various career fields.

Chipola also awards Bachelor of Science Degrees in Secondary and Middle School Education with majors in Math and Science. A new Bachelor’s of Applied Science degree in Business Management is set to begin in January of 2008.

Chipola is offering a number of Workforce Development programs this fall including: Automotive Technology, Computer Systems Technology, Corrections, Cosmetology, Culinary Management, Electronic Technology, Firefighting, Law Enforcement, Nursing Assistant and Welding.

Two new workforce programs—Masonry Apprentice Training and Surveying and Mapping Technology—are now accepting students.

Chipola’s University Center provides opportunities for students to pursue a number of bachelor’s and advanced degrees on the Chipola campus through partnerships with UWF, FSU and Troy.

For information, call Admissions and Records at 718-2211 or visit www.chipola.edu

SUMMER HOURS

LIBRARY
Mon–Wed 7 am – 5 pm
Thurs 7 am – 4:30 pm
TECH CENTER
Mon–Wed 8 am – 4 pm
Thurs 8 am – 3:30 pm
SUCCESS CENTER/TESTING CENTER
Mon–Thurs 8 am – 2:30 pm
ACE
Academic Center for Excellence
Mon–Wed 8 am – 5 pm
Thurs 9 am – 2 pm

CONTINUING ED. A Child Growth & Development course will meet Mondays, August 20 through Dec. 3 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191. An Early Care & Education Administrative Overview course will meet Tuesdays, August 21 through Dec. 4 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191. An Internship course will meet Thursdays, August 23 through Dec. 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is $191.

Mandatory training for child care personnel is scheduled: Child Abuse and Neglect, Aug. 24, 6 to 10 p.m.; Child Growth and Development, Aug. 25, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Behavioral Observation and Screening, Aug. 27 & 29, 6 to 9 p.m.; Health, Safety and Nutrition, Sept. 8; Rules and Regulations (center), Sept. 10 & 12; Pre-School Appropriate Practices, Oct. 20; Special Needs Appropriate Practices, Oct. 27. Call 718-2395.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY
30 Last Day to Resign all SSII classes

AUGUST
2 College Application Deadline - Fall
7 Last Class Day SSII
7 Early Fall Registration Payment Due
7 ADN Pinning
8 Last Faculty Day for Summer II
13 Return to Regular Work Week
13 Faculty Returns for Fall
13 FACC Back to School Luncheon

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK
25-Jul Vickie Jones
25-Jul Shirley Reid
26-Jul Vikki Milton
27-Jul Joshua Martin
29-Jul Gena Porter-Lankist

SWIMMING LESSONS will be offered for ages four and up July 30-Aug. 9. Classes are available at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. Sessions are Monday through Thursday for two weeks of 45-minute lessons. Cost is $45 and pre-registration is required. For information, call 718-2473.

Infant and Preschool Swimming lessons for children 3 and under will meet July 23-27 with classes available at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Cost is $30. For information, call 718-2473.

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