

**GAPSC/NCATE Continuing Accreditation Visit
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Fall 2001–Spring 2006
Early Childhood Partnership Program

Table 1.6.9. Employer Ratings of Dispositions of Graduates of Initial Certification Programs*

*Table 1.6.9.a. Employer Ratings of Graduates***

| Disposition | <i>Number of Employers Providing Rating</i> | <i>M</i> | <i>SD</i> |
|--|---|----------|-----------|
| <i>Beginning teachers from University of Georgia Early Childhood Education Programs . . .</i> | | | |
| have high expectations for all students. | 15 | 3.4 | .5 |
| advocate for learning environments that support the diverse needs of all students. | 13 | 3.0 | .7 |
| work well with children, families, colleagues, and others from diverse ethnic, racial, gender, and socioeconomic groups. | 14 | 3.3 | .5 |
| work well with paraprofessionals and volunteers in the classroom and school. | 15 | 3.3 | .5 |
| work well with administrators and instructional lead teachers. | 15 | 3.5 | .5 |
| join and actively participate in professional organizations. | 13 | 3.0 | .4 |
| reflect upon their pedagogical and content knowledge and instructional strategies. | 14 | 3.1 | .5 |
| manage their time well. | 15 | 3.1 | .5 |
| follow established codes of professional conduct, including school, district, and state policies. | 14 | 3.4 | .5 |

*Table 1.6.9.b. Employer Ratings of UGA Graduates Compared to Graduates of Other Institutions****

| | <i>Number of Employers Providing Rating</i> | <i>M</i> | <i>SD</i> |
|--|---|----------|-----------|
| How would you rate recent graduates of University of Georgia initial preparation programs in early childhood education, compared to graduates of programs in other institutions? | 15 | 2.6 | .6 |

* Employers were asked to rate graduates of initial preparation programs who were in their first 3 years of teaching; therefore, ratings represent graduates of the partnership program, the prekindergarten to grade 2 emphasis, and the master's-level early childhood certification option.

** Employers used a 4-point scale to rate program graduates: (1) Strongly Disagree, (2) Disagree, (3) Agree, (4) Strongly Agree.

*** Employers used a 3-point scale to rate program graduates: (1) Not as well prepared, (2) About as well prepared, (3) Better prepared.