

**Individuals Who Are Eligible to be Recommended for an
Early Childhood Development Certificate (Pre-K)***

A person who meets requirements (to include background clearance through the ALSDE, GPA of at least 2.75, and passing scores on the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators tests) and is unconditionally admitted to a bachelor's level program in childhood development after the program receives accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), may be recommended to receive an Early Childhood Development Certificate when that person has:

- 1. Met clinical/internship requirements that span birth through age 4 in child care and Office of School Readiness programs;**
- 2. Completed all the coursework for the program accredited by NAEYC;**
- 3. Earned at least a bachelor's degree from a senior institution that was regionally accredited when the degree was conferred, and earned a minimum overall GPA of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale;**
- 4. Earned a passing score on Praxis 5531, Pre-Kindergarten Education; and**
- 5. Earned a passing score on the edTPA assessment appropriate for Pre-Kindergarten education.**

***As of November 25, 2019, the information provided above is applicable to The University of Alabama and Auburn University. Other Alabama senior institutions may be added over time.**

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