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UD's Bombeck Family Learning Center is now enrolling 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds in a new half-day morning preschool program.

Bombeck Center director Diana Smith said her staff collaborated with faculty and students in UD's early childhood education program to develop the program's play-based curriculum, named ACCESS for its attributes: assessment-supported; child-centered; emergent from children's interests; science emphasis; and standards-based from the early-learning content standards of

the Ohio Department of Education.

The curriculum uses developmentally appropriate activities in four major learning domains — physical, social, emotional and cognitive — to help children develop in science, social studies, literacy and math, Smith said.

Tuition is \$100 per week for the program, which runs from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. weekdays. University employees receive the standard Bombeck Center discount; additional discounts are available to those who meet certain income qualifications. For more information, call 229-2158.

The Bombeck Center has accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children.