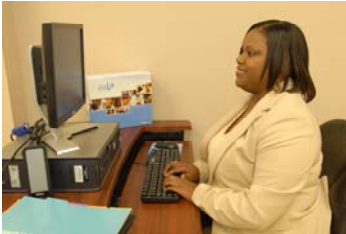




TESTIMONIAL: LISA BURDS, H&R BLOCK



When Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans, Lisa Burds evacuated with her three children to Houston. In August 2006, though her home in New Orleans East had been swamped by several feet of water and needed renovation, she made the decision to return to New Orleans and "give it a go," basically starting fresh.

Lisa was struggling to make ends meet, working with a job placement service, and had applied for welfare and food stamps when she heard about Delgado's computer training program. Lisa took courses in Word and Excel and soon was able to get a job with H&R Block as an Office Administrator/Leader.

Today, she considers that job a temporary position as she continues her education in Delgado's Care and Development of Young Children program with the goal of one day opening her own child care center.

"The computer skills I gained through Delgado were key to getting my job at H&R Block, and that computer and business knowledge, combined with the child care courses I'm taking at Delgado, are the educational tools I need to one day soon manage my own business," says Lisa. "Delgado has been, and continues to be, an important part of pursuing my dreams."