

Minor in Human Development and Family Science

Requirements

To earn a minor in HDFS, an undergraduate student must successfully complete 15-16 credit hours of coursework, as indicated in the two groups listed below. Students must earn a grade of C- or better in each course used to satisfy the minor requirements, and a minimum 2.00 GPA overall for the HDFS minor courses taken. Satisfactory/unsatisfactory (pass/fail) graded courses will not be accepted for the purpose of meeting minor requirements.

A total of 6 hours of transfer credit from other colleges or universities outside of the University of Missouri – Columbia will be accepted for the minor in HDFS, provided the transfer courses are a direct equivalent to MU HDFS courses.

A minor must be completed and awarded at the same time as the MU undergraduate degree (i.e., minors cannot be claimed after graduation). Once an HDFS minor is awarded, a student cannot return to MU to complete a second undergraduate major in HDFS.

Students cannot earn a major and a minor in HDFS.

Required Courses		9-10
H_D_FS 1600	Foundations of Family Science	3
H_D_FS 2300	Multicultural Study of Children and Families	3
H_D_FS 2400	Principles of Human Development ¹	3-4
or H_D_FS 2400H	Principles of Human Development - Honors	
or H_D_FS 2400HW	Principles of Human Development - Honors/Writing Intensive	
or H_D_FS 2400W	Principles of Human Development - Writing Intensive	
HDFS Minor Elective Courses		6
Choose any 2 courses from the list below. At least 1 course must be at a 3000 or 4000 level.		
H_D_FS 1234	Successful Adulting	3
H_D_FS 1610	Intimate Relationships and Marriage	3
H_D_FS 2450	Human Sexuality Across the Life Span	3
H_D_FS 3050	Child Development: Infancy and Toddlerhood	3
H_D_FS 3150	Child Development: Preschool to Pre-Adolescence	3
H_D_FS 3150W	Child Development: Preschool to Pre-Adolescence - Writing Intensive	3
H_D_FS 3430	Adolescence and Young Adulthood	3
H_D_FS 3440	Adulthood and Aging	3
H_D_FS 3600	Partnering with Parents and Families	3
H_D_FS 4200	Latino/a Children, Youth, and Families	3
H_D_FS 4300	Black Children, Youth, and Families	3
H_D_FS 4610	Stress and Resilience in Families	3
H_D_FS 4620	Family Interaction	3
H_D_FS 4640	Interpersonal Relationships	3
H_D_FS 4700	Children and Families in Poverty	3
H_D_FS 4720	Child and Family Advocacy	3

¹ H_D_FS 2400W is a 4 credit writing intensive course. Students may elect to take either H_D_FS 2400 (3 credits), or H_D_FS 2400W (4 credits) to satisfy this requirement for the Minor in HDFS.

Some courses on this list may require successful completion of specific prerequisite courses and/or instructor consent. Please see the Enrollment Information and Course Description in myZou for more information. Questions and enrollment permission requests should be directed to the HDFS Minor Advisor (http://hdfs.missouri.edu/ug_minor.html).

Application for Minor

Undergraduate students interested in obtaining a minor in HDFS should contact the Human Development and Family Science Office for a minor application form.

Students must meet the minor requirements in place *at the time of application*, thus the application should be submitted when they begin taking courses for the minor in HDFS, and before all of the required courses are complete.