Official Degree Name: Learning & Developmental Sciences PhD (LRNDEVPHD)

Official Sub-Plan Name: Human Development Specialization (EDSYPHDSPC)

Overview of degree:
Summary paragraphs of degree and general overview of requirements

Degree Requirements:

Major Requirements
(36 credits)

List Required Courses for degree:

Students must take 3 courses in development so that each major period of the lifespan is studied (9 credits total)

CHILDHOOD (choose one; P623 is recommended):
  P515 Child Development 3
  P623 Child Development 3

ADOLESCENCE:
  P516 Adolescent Development 3

ADULTHOOD (choose one):
  P513 Gerontology: Multidisciplinary Perspective 3
  P517 Adult Development and Aging 3
  P650 Topical Seminar in Educational Psychology, Topic: Emerging Adulthood 3

Students also must take:

P624 Biology of Behavior 3
P590 Independent Study in Educational Psychology 3
P685 Proseminar in Human Development (1 credit/semester) 6
P601 Educational and Historical Foundations of Psychology 3

The remaining credits from the 36 total may be chosen from:

P513 Gerontology: Multidisciplinary Perspective
  (if not taken for Adulthood requirement) 3
Inquiry Requirements

List Required Courses for degree:

Y502 Intermediate Statistics Applied to Education 3
(Must be taken concurrently with Y500)
Y521 Methodological Approaches to Educational Inquiry 3
Y527 Educational Assessment and Psychological Assessment 3
Y604 Applied Multivariate Statistics (must be taken concurrently with Y500) 3
Y645 Covariance Structure Analysis 3

We also highly recommend:

Y637 Categorical Data Analysis 3
Y639 Multilevel Modeling 3
Y655 Longitudinal Data Analysis 3

Minor Requirements

List Required Courses for degree:

A minor is at least 12 credits (the minor program can require more than 12 credits). The minor must have integrity in its own right and must complement the major. The minor field must demonstrate wholeness within itself and contribute to the student’s overall doctoral program. Minors are normally formulated within a single program area. However, an interdisciplinary minor is also possible. If courses in the minor are from more than one program area, a written description of the minor’s underlying theme must be provided along with a rationale for each course’s contribution to that theme. This written description is typically limited to two pages and submitted to the student’s Program of Studies Committee. **Major area courses (those within the Learning and Developmental Sciences Program) may**
not be used in the minor. A minor area includes (but not limited) psychology, inquiry methodology, epidemiology, gerontology, counseling or education.

**Elective or Second Minor Requirements**

List Required Courses for degree:

If you receive a job appointment to be an Associate Instructor, then you **must** take (counts as an elective on the program of studies):

P650 Topical Seminar in Educational Psychology, Topic: College Teaching (2 cr.) each year of teaching