

Proposal for a Doctoral Minor in Human Development – Variable Credit

The doctoral minor in Human Development is designed to meet the needs of doctoral students from all programs and departments in the School of Education as well as other doctoral programs on the campus. It consists of a 12-credit hour PhD minor or a 9-credit hour EdD minor. These hours can be chosen from any combination of the courses listed below, as long as at least one course is at the 600-level. The minor advisor will work with the student to create a coherent minor designed around broad knowledge of multiple age ranges, a focus on particular areas of human development, or a combination of breadth and depth, as best suited to the student's interests and applicability to their scholarship. No qualification exam is necessary for the minor in Human Development.

Overview:

The study of human development has practical implications for everything from preschool curriculum development to geriatric care. Students minor in human development to understand how individuals develop biologically, cognitively, socially, and emotionally. This minor includes a basic foundation in the concepts and theories of human development.

Human Development Minor Requirements

(PhD: 12 credits EdD: 9 credits)

List Required Courses for degree:

PhD students must take 4 courses, and EdD students 3 courses, in human development (at least one MUST be at the 600 level). These courses may be chosen from:

P513 Gerontology	3	
P514 Lifespan Development	3	
P515 Child Development	3	
P516 Adolescent Development	3	
P517 Adult Development	3	
P518 Social Aspects of Aging	3	
P521 Emerging Adulthood	3	
P600 Children's Thinking	3	
P622 Social Development	3	
P623 Advanced Child Development	3	
P624 Biological Bases of Behavior	3	
P625 Family Processes and Child/Adolescent Development	3	
P652 Family Transitions		3
P683 Developmental Epidemiology	3	

Relevant courses from other departments or programs may be counted as development courses at the discretion of the minor advisor, though no more than ONE such course may be counted toward the minor.

No minor qualifying exam is required for the Human Development doctoral minor.