Evaluation of young children.

Observation techniques.

Parent/family communications.

Concentrate on infants and toddlers.

Older preschoolers.

Programming.

Language, literacy, and science.

Issues of quality, affordability, and accessibility.

Child care services.


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Adult development and aging.

Mental health facilities.

Public welfare agencies.

Women’s resource centers.

Human relations programs.

Employee assistance programs.

Consumer services.

Mental health facilities.

Nursing homes.

Public welfare agencies.

Area agencies on aging.

Personal networks.

Establish references.

Real world experience.

Entry-level professional competence.

Connection career and curiosity.

General Education.

Entry-level professional competencies.

Biological, psychological, and social development.

Elderly persons.

Various contexts.

Life span.

Family development.

First-level professional competencies.

Entry-level professional competencies.

Human service organizations.

Entry-level professional competencies.

Human service organizations.

Aspirations.

Human service related field.

Human service related occupations.

Minimum 2.0 GPA.

Associate in Science degree.

Human Development.

Family Studies.

Minimum 60 credits.

General Education.

Writing and Speaking (GWS).

Quantification (GQ).

First-level professional competencies.

Human service organizations.

Entry-level professional competencies.

Human service organizations.

Entry-level professional competencies.

Associate in Science degree.

General Education.

Writing and Speaking (GWS).

Quantification (GQ).
Knowledge Domains
- Arts (GA): 3 credits
- Humanities (GH): 3 credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences (GS): 3 credits
- Natural Sciences (GN): 3 credits

Foundations or Knowledge Domains
- A General Education course selected from GWS, GQ, GN, GA, GH, or GS, and may include Integrative Studies (Inter-domain or Linked) courses: 3 credits

The keystone symbol appears next to the title of any course that is designated as a General Education course. Program requirements may also satisfy General Education requirements and vary for each program.

University Degree Requirements

Cultures Requirement
3 credits of United States (US) or International (IL) cultures coursework are required and may satisfy other requirements

Writing Across the Curriculum
3 credits required from the college of graduation and likely prescribed as part of major requirements.

Total Minimum Credits
A minimum of 60 degree credits must be earned for a associates degree. The requirements for some programs may exceed 60 credits. Students should consult with their college or department adviser for information on specific credit requirements.

Quality of Work
Candidates must complete the degree requirements for their major and earn at least a 2.00 grade-point average for all courses completed within their degree program.

Limitations on Source and Time for Credit Acquisition
Credit used toward degree programs may need to be earned from a particular source or within time constraints (see Senate Policy 83-80 [http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#83-80]). For more information, check the Suggested Academic Plan for your intended program.

Requirements for the Major
To graduate, a student enrolled in the major must earn a grade of C or better in each course designated by the major as a C-required course, as specified by Senate Policy 82-44 [http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/82-00-and-83-00-degree-requirements/#82-44].

Common Requirements for the Major (All Options)

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Prescribed Courses: Require a grade of C or better

HDFS 129 Introduction to Human Development and Family Studies 3

Additional Courses
Select one of the following:
- BIOL 141 Introductory Physiology
- BIOL 155 Introduction to the Biology of Aging
- BISC 4 Human Body: Form and Function

Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better
- SOC 30 Sociology of the Family (SOC 30 does not require a grade of C or better)
- or HDFS 315 Family Development

Select one of the following:
- EDPSY 101 Analysis and Interpretation of Statistical Data in Education
- STAT 100 Statistical Concepts and Reasoning
- STAT 200 Elementary Statistics

Requirements for the Option
Select an option 21-24

Trades, Youth, and Family Services Option (24 credits)
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Select 15 credits in consultation with the adviser from University-wide offerings that enhance competence in the option 15

Children, Youth, and Family Services Option (24 credits)
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Early Childhood Care and Education Option (24 credits)
Available at the following campuses: DuBois, Fayette, Shenango, York

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Academic Advising

The objectives of the university’s academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee’s unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy)

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Career Paths

Careers

With an associate degree in HDFS, you can work in the human services field, promoting health and preventing social and mental health problems for child, youth and families and adults and the elderly. You may also find employment in the following areas:
• medical case worker
• mental health worker
• case manager
• school support services
• medical and public health services
• substance abuse services

The associate degree in HDFS can also serve as a stepping stone to further education if you wish to work as a counselor or social worker.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies
Many graduates go on to earn an HDFS bachelor’s degree; some eventually enroll in graduate school.

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