

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES, BS

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudytext>) section of the Guide.

General Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breadth–Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits • Breadth–Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits • Breadth–Social Studies: 3 credits • Communication Part A & Part B * • Ethnic Studies * • Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B *
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* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

SCHOOL OF HUMAN ECOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credits
Arts and Humanities		
Literature		3
Humanities		6
Social Science		
PSYCH 202	Introduction to Psychology	3-4
Select 6 credits designated Social Science breadth		6
Physical, Biological and Natural Science		
Select 9 credits from Physical, Biological and Natural Science		9
Human Ecology Breadth		

Select a Human Ecology course from CNSR SCI, CSCS, DS, or INTER-HE not otherwise included in the program requirements	3
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Total Credits	30-31
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A complete list of requirements is below. Students should follow the curriculum requirements in place at the time they entered the major. This requirement list should be used in combination with a DARS report.

Code	Title	Credits
Foundation		
<i>Human Development in Context</i>		
HDFS 174	Introduction into Cultural Diversity of Families	3
Select one of the following:		3
HDFS 262	Development of the Young Child	
ED PSYCH 320	Human Development in Infancy and Childhood	
PSYCH 460	Child Development	
HDFS 263	Development from Adolescence to Old Age	3
HDFS 516	Stress and Resilience in Families Across the Lifespan	3
HDFS 345	Ecology of Child Health and Well-Being	3
<i>Research Foundations</i>		
Select one of the following:		3-4
HDFS 425	Research Methods in Human Development and Family Studies	
PSYCH 225	Research Methods	
SOC/ C&E SOC 357	Methods of Sociological Inquiry	
Select one of the following:		3
SOC/ C&E SOC 360	Statistics for Sociologists I	
STAT 240	Data Science Modeling I	
STAT 301	Introduction to Statistical Methods	
STAT 324	Introduction to Statistics for Science and Engineering	
STAT 371	Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences	
PSYCH 210	Basic Statistics for Psychology	
<i>Career Foundations</i>		
HDFS 253	Human Development & Family Studies Leadership Symposium	1
INTER-HE 202	SoHE Career & Leadership Development	1
Depth		
Select 3 of the following courses:		9
Any HDFS courses numbered 300–699 not otherwise included in the program requirements (https://guide.wisc.edu/courses/hdfs/)		
CNSR SCI 273	Finances & Families	

COUN PSY 655	Clinical Communication Skills
CSCS 500	Global Health and Communities: From Research to Praxis
ED PSYCH 321	Human Development in Adolescence
PSYCH 405	Adult Psychopathology
PSYCH/SOC 453	Human Sexuality
PSYCH 464	Adult Development and Aging
RP & SE 310	Positive Psychology and Well Being
SOC/ C&E SOC 343	Sociology of Health and Medicine
SOC/PSYCH 453	Human Sexuality
SOC 575	Sociological Perspectives on the Life Course and Aging

Application*Career/Research Practice*

Select one of the following: 3

INTER-HE 601	Internship
HDFS 592	Research Experience in Human Development and Family Studies

Capstone

Select one of the following: 3

HDFS 663	Developmental and Family Assessment
HDFS 535	A Family Perspective in Policymaking
HDFS 650	Parent Education and Support Programs

Electives

Select courses to bring degree credit total to 120

Total Credits 38-39

CHILD DEVELOPMENT: NAMED OPTION

Students may elect to pursue a named option instead of the completing the Human Development and Family Studies requirements listed above.

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UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total Degree To receive a bachelor's degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.

Residency Degree candidates are required to earn a minimum of 30 credits in residence at UW–Madison. "In residence" means on the UW–Madison campus with an undergraduate degree classification. "In residence" credit also includes UW–Madison courses offered in distance or online formats and credits earned in UW–Madison Study Abroad/Study Away programs.

Quality of Work Undergraduate students must maintain the minimum grade point average specified by the school, college, or academic program to remain in good academic standing. Students whose academic performance drops below these minimum thresholds will be placed on academic probation.