ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT (GRADUATE CERTIFICATE)

https://chhs.unh.edu/human-development-family-studies/program/certificate/adolescent-development

Description

The Department of Human Development and Family Studies at the University of New Hampshire offers a one-year, minimum 15-credit, multidisciplinary program of study leading to a graduate certificate in adolescent development.

The certificate program is intended for individuals who may be working in the field but lack specific knowledge about adolescent development such as professionals employed by social-service agencies, juvenile justice facilities and child welfare programs, educational institutions, and independent programs that provide programming and services to adolescents. A certificate in Adolescent Development is ideal for professionals in a variety of youth-related fields.

The certificate program builds general competence in understanding and applying theory and research regarding adolescent development with particular emphasis on the influences of family and communities. The program is grounded in an ecological approach that focuses on supporting the health and well-being of all adolescents, with special attention to using a developmental perspective to develop programs, policies, and other interventions that address contemporary risk and protective factors.

Requirements

A certificate in adolescent development is awarded upon successful completion of 14-15 credits.

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ELECTIVES

HDFS Electives (select at least one)

HDFS 846 Human Sexuality
HDFS 860 Family Programs and Policies
HDFS 857 Race, Class, Gender, and Families
HDFS 876 Children, Adolescents and the Law
HDFS 887 Special Topics
HDFS 991 Professional Issues for Family Specialists
HDFS 993 Theoretical Approaches to Human Development and Family Studies

Multidisciplinary Electives

EDUC 817 Growing up Male in America
SOC 815 Criminological Theory
SOC 830 Sociology of Drug Use
SOC 840 Sociology of Mental Health
SOC 876 Family Violence Research Seminar
SOC 975 Sociology of the Family
SW 805 Child and Adolescent Risks and Resiliency: Program, Policy and Practice
SW 815 Practice with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender People
RMP 805 Management and Policy in Therapeutic Recreation
RMP 830 Camp Administration and Leadership
RMP 860 Program Administration in Recreational Sport

1 One elective must be fulfilled with a Human Development and Family Studies course.

Other human development and family studies or multidisciplinary electives may be selected with advisor approval.

Grade Policy

A graduate student who fails a course must immediately attend a mandatory meeting with the instructor of the course, the Human Development and Family Studies Graduate Coordinator, and, if desired, the student’s adviser. If a graduate student receives grades below "B-" in two or more courses, the Human Development and Family Studies Graduate Coordinator will make a recommendation to the Graduate School that the student be dismissed from the Human Development and Family Studies Graduate program.