

# HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE - MINOR

College of Education and Human Services  
 School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences  
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## About This Program

The Human Development and Family Science minor provides students with knowledge of biopsychosocial development, family relationships and processes across the lifespan. This minor is particularly suitable for students with a major or interest in education, nursing, psychology, sociology, public health, communications, community health education, recreation management and speech pathology and audiology.

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  - Geauga Campus
  - Kent Campus
  - Salem Campus
  - Stark Campus

## Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
  - Fully online
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Geauga Campus
  - Kent Campus
  - Salem Campus
  - Stark Campus

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor's degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

To declare this minor, students must have attempted a minimum 12 credit hours at Kent State and earned a minimum 2.000 overall Kent State GPA. Students who have not attempted 12 credit hours at Kent State will be evaluated for admission based on their high school GPA for new students or transfer GPA for transfer students. Transfer students who have not attempted 12 credit hours of college-level coursework at Kent State and/or other institutions will be evaluated based on both their high school GPA and college GPA.

## Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
HDF 24011	INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND FAMILIES (DIVD)	3
Development Electives, choose from the following:		6
GERO 14029	INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (DIVD) (KSS)	
GERO 40656	PSYCHOLOGY OF AGING	
HDF 24012	RELATIONSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT ACROSS CHILDHOOD	
HDF 24013	EARLY ADOLESCENCE	
HDF 44020	RELATIONSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT ACROSS ADOLESCENCE AND EMERGING ADULTHOOD	
Minor Electives, choose from the following:		9
HDF 24014	BRIDGING CROSS-NATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES	
HDF 34031	CULTURAL DIVERSITY: IMPLICATIONS FOR THE HELPING PROFESSIONS	
HDF 42089	HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE (DIVG) (ELR)	
HDF 44021	FAMILY INTERVENTION AND ADVOCACY	
HDF 44022	FAMILIES, GENDER AND POWER	
HDF 44023	BUILDING FAMILY STRENGTHS (WIC)	
HDF 44028	PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIPS	
HDF 44029	FAMILY POLICY	
HDF 44032	NONPROFIT FUNDRAISING AND GRANTWRITING	
HDF 44033	COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT (ELR)	
HDF 44034	PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF NONPROFIT MANAGEMENT	
HDF 44039	BEREAVEMENT AND LOSS	

**Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18**

## Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

## Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Identify physical, cognitive, emotional and social dimensions of human development and family relationships.
2. Identify the reciprocal influences of family, school, work and community contexts on human development
3. Recognize the unique strengths and needs of individuals and families.

## Admission GPA for Undergraduate Students

For admissions, the College of Education, Health and Human Services considers a student to have established a Kent State University GPA after the student has successfully completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours. Undergraduate students who have not completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours will be evaluated for admission into programs, Advanced Study, and the Professional phase based on their high school GPA for new freshmen, or transfer GPA for transfer students. Once a student has successfully completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours, only the student's Kent State cumulative GPA will be considered for admission into a program, Advanced Study, and Professional Phase.

Students who have completed 12 or more credit hours of previous college-level coursework, either at Kent State University or at another accredited institution, need an overall GPA of 2.00 or higher to declare a College of Education, Health and Human Services majors, minors or certificates unless a higher minimum GPA is specified by the program. See specific programs in this catalog for more information on required minimum GPA to declare. Non-degree EHHS General can be declared without a minimum 2.00 overall GPA.

Transfer applicants who have completed fewer than 12 semester hours of college-level coursework will be evaluated on both collegiate and high school records.