Degree Requirements for:

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION**

### GENERAL EDUCATION

**English: 9-10 hours**
- ENGLISH 1000: Exposition and Argumentation
  - Two Writing Intensive courses: One must be in the major.
  - Prerequisite: ENGLISH 1000
- HDFS 2400W Principles of Human Development (4) WI-1
- HDFS 3150W Child Development 4-8 (3) WI-2

**Mathematics: 6 hours**
- MATH 1100: College Algebra
  - Prerequisite: MATH 1100 with a grade in the C range.

**American History or Government: 3 hours**
- HIST 1100, 1200, 1400, 2210, 2440, 4000, 4220, 4230,
  - or POL SC 1100, 1700, 2100

**Distribution of Content: 27 hours**
- Courses approved for the Distribution of Content may be found at:
  - http://generaleducation.missouri.edu/requirements/
- Choose at least one course numbered 2000 or higher in two different areas of the distribution.
- HES Foundation may not ‘double dip’ for both Gen Ed and HES Foundation credit.

**Biological, Mathematical and Physical Sciences: 9 hours**
- At least one Biological or Physical Science and its related laboratory.
  - Two different areas of science must be completed.
  - ESC PS 4170 recommended (3)
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**Social and Behavioral Sciences: 9 hours**
- At least two different departments must be represented. American History or Government course may ‘double count’ here.
  - American History or Government (3)
  - PSYCH 1000 recommended (3)
  - SOCIOL or RU SOC 1000 recommended (3)

**Humanities and Fine Arts: 9 hours**
- At least one course from two different departments must be represented.
  - (Foreign language is an exception. A minimum of 12-13 hours of the same foreign language must be taken for the Humanities requirement.)
  - MUSIC NM 1618 Basic Music Skills recommended (2)
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**HES COLLEGE**

**Foundation Courses: 7 hours**
- GN HES 1100 Intro to Human Environmental Sciences (1)
- At least one course from two different departments must be represented.
  - FINPLN 2183 Personal and Family Finance (MRP) (3), or
  - FINPLN 4380 Assessing the American Dream (WI) (3)
  - NEP 1034 Nutr Current Concepts and Controversies (3), or
  - NEP 2222 Landscape of Obesity (3)

**Communication: 3 hours**
- Choose from COMMUN 1200, 3571, 3575
  - (COMMUN 1200 can double count as a Humanities credit)
  - (COMMUN 3571 may double count as an upper-level Beh Sci)

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**Capstone Experience**
- Completed during last two semesters of coursework.
  - HDFS 4971 Advanced Child Development Lab (9)

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*Courses in these categories must be completed with a grade of C- or better.*

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The Child Development and Education emphasis provides instruction and experiences to help students gain competence in understanding, guiding, and teaching young children. Coursework includes hands-on learning through the Child Development Lab, a full-day, full-year teacher-training lab school located on the MU campus. Graduates are prepared for positions of responsibility and leadership in public and private nursery schools, child care centers, infant-care programs, after-school programs, and other educational and social service facilities for children. Additional job opportunities include group homes, shelters, child care and provider training agencies, Parents as Teachers, and YMCA/YWCA.

Degree Program Requirements include General Education courses; HES College requirements; and Professional Program courses. Students must have a 2.50 MU Cum GPA on or before 60 hours are completed to be admitted to the professional program. HDFS 1600 must be taken before HDFS 2300 or any 3000 or 4000-level HDFS course.

**Required Courses: (16 hours)**
- HDFS 1600 Foundations of Family Science (3)
- HDFS 2200 Research Methods in Human Dev. & Family Sci. (3)
- HDFS 2300 Multicultural Study of Children and Families (3)
- HDFS 2400W Principles of Human Development (4)
- STAT 1200 Introductory Statistical Reasoning, or 1300 Elementary Statistics or 1400 Statistical Analysis, or ESC PS 4170 Introduction to Applied Statistics (3)

**Area of Specialization (52 hours)**
- HDFS 2510 Observation, Assessment, and Curric. Planning (4)
- HDFS 3050 Child Development: Birth to 3 (3)
- HDFS 3150W Principles of Human Development (4)
- HDFS 3450 Health, Safety, and Nutrition (3)
- HDFS 3500 Infant-Toddler Practicum (6)
- HDFS 3600 Partnering with Parents and Families (3)
- HDFS 3700 Preschool Practicum (6)
- HDFS 4220 Environmental Influences on Lifespan Cognition (3)
- HDFS 4570 Dev & Admin of Child Services Programs (3)
- HDFS 4610 Stress and Resilience in Families, or 4700 Children and Families in Poverty (3)
- HDFS 4720 Child and Family Advocacy (3)
- HDFS 4971 Child Development and Education Capstone (9)

**Supporting Coursework (9 hours)**
- Choose courses from among the following:
  - Any HDFS course not on the required list, and courses in areas such as Black Studies; Educational, School, and Counseling Psychology; Social Work; Psychology; Sociology; and Women’s and Gender Studies. These must be approved by the advisor prior to enrollment.

**General Electives (4-6 hours)**

**Minimum of 120 credit hours must be completed**

1. must earn a 2.00 (C) or better in each course
2. must be taken prior to HDFS 2200
3. credit hours calculated in General Education
4. Service Learning course
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## Sample Course Plan

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