Human Development and Family Studies Major BA
Department of Psychology, 303-615-0699, Plaza 220 A
College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences

HDFS Core: 18 Credits, plus 3-credit Senior Experience course
Students must complete all the following classes:

- ☐ PSY 1001 Introductory Psychology
- ☐ PSY 2210 Psychology of Human Development
- ☐ PSY 2310 Statistics for the Social and Behavioral Sciences
- ☐ PSY 3010 Research Methods in Psychological

- ☐ PSY 3340 Cognitive Development and Learning
- ☐ PSY 3350 Psychology of Social Development
- ☐ PSY 4700 Senior Experience in HDFS
  OR
  PSY 4650 Advanced Internship in Psychology

Developmental Specialization: 6 credits
*Choose **two** of the following classes*

- ☐ PSY 3240 Infancy
- ☐ PSY 3250 Child Psychology
- ☐ PSY 3260 Psychology of Adolescence
- ☐ PSY 3270 Adulthood and Aging

Applied Developmental: 9 Credits
*Choose **three** of the following classes*

- ☐ PSY 1800 Developmental Educational Psychology
- ☐ PSY 2240 Parenting Across the Lifespan
- ☐ PSY 2270 Death, Dying, and Grieving
- ☐ PSY 3460 Psychology of Play
- ☐ PSY 3580 Development in Family Context

Interdisciplinary Applications: 6 credits
*Choose **two** of the following classes*

- ☐ PSY 2001 Careers and Prof Dev in Psychology
- ☐ PSY 3030 Multicultural Psychology (Meet ESSJ Req)
- ☐ PSY 3050 Psychology of Gender
- ☐ PSY 3370 Undergraduate Research Assistant*
- ☐ PSY 3390 Undergrad Teaching Assistant Training*
- ☐ PSY 3400 Child Psychopathology
- ☐ PSY 3490 Child Life Theory and Practice**
- ☐ PSY 3700 Psych of Group Prejudice (Meets ESSJ Req)
- ☐ PSY 3980 Internship in Psychology
- ☐ PSY 4100 Clinical/Counseling Psychology
- ☐ PSY 4450 Advanced Statistics
- ☐ PSY 4970 Psychology of the Scholarship of* Teaching and Learning

- ☐ AAS 3550 The Black Family
- ☐ COMM 3210 Family Communication
- ☐ CHS 3210 The Chicano Family
- ☐ HSP 2040 Family Systems
- ☐ NUT 3050 Concepts of Lifecycle Nutrition
- ☐ SOC 3410 The Family and Society
- ☐ SWK 1010 Introduction to Social Work
- ☐ SWK 3010 SWK Practice w/Children and Youth
- ☐ SWK 3030 Social Work with Older People
- ☐ SWK 3080 Social Work with Families
- ☐ SWK 3150 Social Work and Child Maltreatment

Notes:
* In order to take PSY 3370, 3390 or 4970, students need permission from the instructor.
** PSY 3490 is a course for students interested in pursuing the field of Child Life Specialists. Contact Dr. Hagan (lkindleb@msudenver) for more information about this competitive career and the additional coursework, GPA, volunteer work, and practicum needed to enter it.

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42 Total Credits Required in the Major

GENERAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Total credits   120 minimum
General Studies   33 credits
Major Courses   42 credits
Minor Courses   18-27 credits
Additional Courses   18-27 credits*

Other Graduation Requirements
- ☐ Cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher
- ☐ Major GPA of 2.0 or higher
- ☐ Minor GPA of 2.0 or higher
- ☐ 40 Upper-Division credits**
- ☐ 15 Upper-Division credits in the HDFS major**

Number of additional course (i.e. General Elective) credits varies depending on chosen minor
***Upper Division refers to 3000 or 4000 level courses; or credits transferred at the 9000 level*

General Studies Courses (33 credits)
- ☐ Written Communication (6 credits)
- ☐ Oral Communication (3 credits)
- ☐ Quantitative Literacy (3 credits)
- ☐ Arts and Humanities (6 credits)
- ☐ Historical (3 credits)
- ☐ Natural and Physical Science (6 credits)
- ☐ Social and Behavioral Science (6 credits)
- ☐ Global Diversity (3 credits)
  - ▪ May be satisfied by one of the General Studies courses taken above
- ☐ Ethnic Studies & Social Justice Graduation Requirement (3 credits)
  - ▪ May be satisfied by one of the General Studies courses taken above; or by taking PSY 3030 or PSY 3700 in Interdisciplinary Applications area of the major

Minor (18-27 credits)
All HDFS majors are required to complete a minor course of study.
Some popular minors include:

Communication Studies	Nutrition
Criminal Justice	Psychology
Health Care Management	Spanish
Human Services and Counseling	Sociology
Integrative Health Care	Social Work
Marketing	