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The Human Development Major

The scientific study of human development focuses on issues of growth, development, and behavioral change across the lifespan. The Human Development Program is interdisciplinary, incorporating courses from the departments of anthropology, biology, cognitive science, communication, ethnic studies, history, linguistics, literature, psychology, sociology, the Teacher Education Program, and Urban Studies and Planning Program. The curriculum is designed to emphasize the idea of development as an essential perspective from which to understand human behavior. The courses cover a broad spectrum of issues in human development—from brain and perceptual development, to reasoning and problem solving, to social interaction and the evolution of cultural systems. The Human Development Program unifies and coordinates the excellent research and teaching resources currently available on campus in this area and profiles the factors which influence the ways in which humans develop and change.

Human development is a very large field, but there is a set of basic questions which serve to define and integrate it: What underlies the development of human knowledge? To what extent is the capacity to know, indeed the concepts themselves, encoded in the genes? How is the role of learning and environmental influences accounted for? How do we learn? What are the ways in which children become competent participants in their social groups? What is the origin and nature of social interaction and organization?

The study of human development has become increasingly central to a wide range of important issues affecting infants, young children and adolescents, as well as the changing structure of the American family and public policy on children and education. An understanding of the processes which underlie human development is crucial to our evaluation of these issues and to our ability to offer avenues for remediation of the attendant problems. The three major areas of study within the Human Development Program are: *Biological Development, Psychological Development, and Socio-Cultural Development*. These areas consider issues which pertain to development of specific neural and cognitive processes and development within a larger social and cultural context.

Career Guidance

A degree in human development offers training of special interest to those considering admission to graduate or professional schools and careers in medicine, law, education, counseling, clinical psychology, public health, public policy, public administration, or social work. Students who are interested in these areas are advised to see a Human Development Program adviser for assistance in selecting elective and major courses. A major in human development is designed to impart fundamental skills in critical thinking, comparative analysis, research analysis, and written expression.

A human development major can offer preparation for teaching in elementary schools. However, if you are interested in earning a California teaching credential from UCSD, contact the Teacher Education Program for information about prerequisite and professional preparation requirements. It is recommended you contact TEP as early as possible in your academic career.

Education Abroad

Students are often able to participate in the UC Education Abroad Program (EAP) and UCSD's Opportunities Abroad Program (OAP) while still making progress towards their major. Students interested in studying abroad should see a Human Development Program adviser to discuss curriculum plans and appropriate courses. Information on EAP/OAP is detailed in the Education Abroad Program section of the *UCSD General Catalog*. Interested students should contact the Programs Abroad Office in the International Center and visit the Web site at <http://www/icer/pao>. Financial aid is applicable and special study abroad scholarships are readily available.

Prerequisites for Human Development Majors

A bachelor of arts degree in human development will be given to students who satisfactorily complete the general-education and graduation requirements of Marshall, Muir, Revelle, Roosevelt, or Warren College in addition to the Human Development Program requirements described below.

Grade Requirements for the Major

A minimum grade-point average of 2.0 is required in the major. Students must receive a grade of C- or better in any course counted toward fulfillment of the major requirements. **All courses taken to satisfy the Program's lower- and upper-division requirements must be taken for a letter grade.** *HDP 1, HDP 150, and HDP 191 must be taken in residence.*

Lower-Division Requirements

The lower-division requirements for the major in human development are:

1. **Introductory course in human development (HDP 1).** This course must be taken at UCSD.
2. **One quarter of statistics.** (Psychology 60, Cognitive Science 14, or the equivalent.)
3. **Two natural science courses.** This requirement should be fulfilled by taking general introductory courses in the physical and life sciences (i.e., biology, chemistry, and physics). The following is a list of acceptable natural science courses offered at UCSD:
Biology: 1, 2, 3, 10, 12
Chemistry: 4, 6A, 6B, 6C, 11, 12, 13
Cognitive Science: 17
Earth Science: 10, 12
Physics: Any of the 1 and 2 series, 10, 11
4. **One introductory computer course.** (MAE 5, COGS 3, CSE 5A, or the equivalent.)
5. **Two formal skills courses.** The courses may consist of any combination of courses in college level mathematics or logic. One quarter of calculus is strongly recommended. Acceptable logic courses include Linguistics 17, Philosophy 10 and 12.

Lower-division requirements 1 and 2 should be taken prior to enrolling in upper-division course work. It is recommended that all other lower-division requirements be completed by the end of the sophomore year.

Upper-Division Requirements

The upper-division requirements for a major in human development are:

1. **one laboratory** course
2. **four foundation** courses
3. **seven upper-division developmental** courses

4. **one advanced level human development** course

5. **one quarter of field research**

LABORATORY COURSES (ONE COURSE)

Each student is required to complete **one** laboratory course from the list of approved courses. The laboratory course is intended to introduce students to the methodologies used in the study of human development. Students are to choose **one** of:

- Biology, BICD 131: Embryology Laboratory
- Biology, BICD 133: Developmental Biology Lab
- Biology, BIEB 165: Behavioral Ecology Laboratory
- Cognitive Science, COGS 130: Everyday Cognition
- Human Development, HDP 130/Communication, COHI 108: The Development of Communication in Children
- Human Development, HDP 131: Fifth Dimension for Elementary Schools
- Human Development, HDP 135/COMT 116/PSYC 128: Practicum in Child Development
- Psychology, PSYC 117: Laboratory in Developmental Psychology
- Sociology, SOCA 110A-B-C

FOUNDATION COURSES (FOUR UPPER-DIVISION COURSES)

The study of development provides an essential perspective of how human beings come to know and interact with the world. However, this perspective must be grounded in a knowledge of the larger fields of study. It is crucial that students of human development are well-versed in the major theoretical and empirical issues of the related parent disciplines. The foundation course list is divided into the three major areas of study, **Biological, Psychological, and Socio-Cultural**. Within each area a number of foundation courses are indicated. Students are required to take at least **four** foundation courses. **Students must take at least one course in each of the three major areas and may take the remaining course in any area they wish.**

BIOLOGICAL

- Anthropology, ANBI 139: Introduction to the Primate Brain

- Biology, BICD 100: Genetics
- Biology, BIEB 150: Evolution
- Biology, BIEB 156: Population Genetics
- Biology, BIEB 164: Behavioral Ecology
- Biology, BIMM 100: Molecular Biology
- Cognitive Science, COGS 107A-B-C: Cognitive Neuroscience
- Cognitive Science, COGS 172: Brain Disorders and Cognition
- Linguistics, LIGN 172: Language and the Brain
- Psychology, PSYC 102: Introduction to Sensation and Perception
- Psychology, PSYC 106: Introduction to Physiological Psychology
- Psychology, PSYC 145: Psychology of Language
- Psychology, PSYC 176: Functional Neuroanatomy

PSYCHOLOGICAL

- Anthropology, ANPR 107: Psychological Anthropology
- Anthropology, ANG118: Cognitive Anthropology
- Cognitive Science, COGS 101A-B-C: Cognitive Theory and Phenomena
- Cognitive Science, COGS 107A-B-C: Cognitive Neuroscience
- Cognitive Science, COGS 151: Analogy and Conceptual Systems
- Cognitive Science, COGS 172: Brain Disorders and Cognition
- Communication, COHI 100: Introduction to Communication and the Individual
- Linguistics, LIGN 101: Introduction to the Study of Language
- Linguistics, LIGN 104: Language and Conceptualization
- Linguistics, LIGN 172: Language and the Brain
- Psychology, PSYC 103: Introduction to Principles of Behavior
- Psychology, PSYC 105: Introduction to Cognitive Psychology
- Psychology, PSYC 131: Personality Theory and Research
- Psychology, PSYC 165: Cultural Perspectives on Cognition and Perception

SOCIO-CULTURAL

Anthropology, ANPR 105: Social Anthropology
Anthropology, ANPR 106: Cultural Anthropology
Communication, COCU 100: Introduction to Communication & Culture
Ethnic Studies, ETHN 141: Language and Culture
Psychology, PSYC 104: Intro/Social Psychology or Sociology, SOCB 112: Social Psychology (Students may not receive credit for both PSYC 104 & SOCB 112.)
Sociology, SOCB 115: Language and Society
Sociology, SOCB 118A/Linguistics, LIGN 174: Gender and Language in Society
Sociology, SOCB 127: Language, Identity, and Community
Sociology, SOCB 142: Social Deviance
Sociology, SOCC 126/Teacher Education Program, TEP 126: Social Organization of Education
Sociology, SOCC 152/Urban Studies and Planning, USP 133: Social Inequality and Public Policy

DEVELOPMENTAL COURSES (SEVEN UPPER-DIVISION COURSES)

Each student is required to complete **seven** developmental courses from the approved list. The developmental course list is divided into the three major areas of study, **Biological Development, Psychological Development, and Socio-Cultural Development**. Within the seven developmental courses, a distribution requirement must be met by 1) taking one course from each of the **three** major areas of study and 2) by taking **three** courses from those denoted by the asterisk * from any of the three areas. Please note some courses appear in more than one area of study such as Psychology 101 and 180, and may not be counted towards more than one area of study. The distribution requirement is intended to provide students with breadth within the area of human development. In addition to the distribution requirements, each student is required to complete the remaining courses chosen from the approved developmental course list. The program allows considerable flexibility in selection of developmental courses. Students may focus on a particular area, or they may define their course of

study more broadly by selecting courses across the range of areas offered.

BIOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Anthropology, ANBI 140: The Evolution of the Human Brain
Anthropology, ANBI 159: Biological and Cultural Perspectives on Intelligence
Biology, BICD 134: Human Reproduction & Development (Requires a strong biology background. Students may not receive credit for both BILD 24 & BICD 134. See the HDP student affairs coordinator prior to enrollment).
Biology, BICD 130*: Embryology
Biology, BIPN 144*: Developmental Neurobiology
Cognitive Science, COGS 115*: Neurological Development and Cognitive Change
Cognitive Science, COGS 184: Modeling the Evolution of Cognition
Psychology, PSYC 168: Psychological Disorders of Childhood
Psychology, PSYC 180*: Adolescence

PSYCHOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

Anthropology, ANBI 159: Biological and Cultural Perspectives on Intelligence
Cognitive Science, COGS 113/Psychology, PSYC 136*: Cognitive Development
Cognitive Science, COGS 156/Psychology, PSYC 126*: Language Development
Communication, COHI 100*: Introduction to Communication and the Individual
Communication, COHI 121*: Literacy, Social Organization, and the Individual
Linguistics, LIGN 170: Psycholinguistics
Linguistics, LIGN 171*: Child Language Acquisition
Linguistics, LIGN 179: Second Language Acquisition
Literature, LTWL 114: Children's Literature
Literature, LTWL 116: Adolescent Literature
Psychology, PSYC 101*: Introduction to Developmental Psychology
Psychology, PSYC 122: Aging

Psychology, PSYC 156*: Cognitive Development in Infancy
Psychology, PSYC 167*: Social and Emotional Development
Psychology, PSYC 168: Psychological Disorders of Childhood
Psychology, PSYC 172: Psychology of Human Sexuality
Psychology, PSYC 174/Cognitive Science, COGS 154*: Communication Disorders in Children and Adults
Psychology, PSYC 180*: Adolescence
Teacher Education Program, TEP 115*: Child Development and Education
Teacher Education Program, TEP 118*: Adolescent Development and Education

SOCIO-CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Anthropology, ANBI 159: Biological and Cultural Perspectives on Intelligence
Communication, COHI 121*: Literacy, Social Organization, and the Individual
Communication, COHI 123*: Children and Media
Literature, LTWL 114: Children's Literature
Literature, LTWL 116: Adolescent Literature
Psychology, PSYC 101*: Introduction to Developmental Psychology
Psychology, PSYC 180*: Adolescence
Sociology, SOCB 131: Sociology of Youth
Sociology, SOCC 129*: The Family
Teacher Education Program, TEP 115: Child Development and Education
Teacher Education Program, TEP/SOCB 117*: Language, Culture, and Education
Teacher Education Program, TEP 118*: Adolescent Development and Education
Urban Studies and Planning, USP 145: Aging—Social and Health Policy Issues

Advanced Human Development Requirement HDP 150

Seminar for graduating HDP seniors. Readings and discussion of special topics in human development. Provides advanced-level study on sub-fields of human development. Topics vary quarterly. *Prerequisites: HDP1, HDP 191, senior*

standing, and department approval two quarters prior to enrollment.

Field Research Requirement
HDP 191

This course provides students with the opportunity to participate jointly in a research project in conjunction with a mentor/collaborator from a local service site. This applied research experience allows students to design and conduct research projects in a variety of settings ranging from laboratory research settings to service oriented placements. In addition to literature research and a final paper at the end of the quarter, students will participate at an off-campus site for a minimum of four hours per week. Research sites are pre-arranged one quarter in advance (see the student affairs coordinator for enrollment information). Students' interests and future career plans are considered for site placement. Various research orientations and methodologies are reviewed in class. *Prerequisites:* HDP 1 and department approval two quarters prior to enrollment.

Honors in Human Development
HDP 194A-B-C

The Human Development Program offers an honors option for those students who have demonstrated excellence in the human development major. Human development honors allows eligible undergraduates to explore advanced issues in the field through an honors thesis on a topic of their choice and under faculty supervision. In order to be admitted to the honors program, students must have 1) junior standing and 2) maintained a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.2, and a 3.5 GPA for courses taken in the human development major. Interested students need to apply for departmental honors in spring quarter of their junior year. Students in the honors program are expected to complete the following courses in addition to those required for the major:

- 1. An advanced course in statistics or methods design (see the student affairs coordinator for more information).
- 2. HDP 194A-B-C, a year-long independent research project, which results in an Honors Thesis.

The Minor Program

A total of seven courses are required to complete a minor in human development. These include **Introduction to Human Development** (HDP 1), three developmental courses denoted by the asterisk*, and **three** additional developmental courses, one from each major area of study from the developmental course list.

FINISH-IN-FOUR PLAN

This plan is provided to help students fit the human development major requirements into a four-year schedule. Students interested in a particular career field should see the student affairs coordinator for more specific Finish-In-Four plans for their particular college.

FALL	WINTER	SPRING
FRESHMAN YEAR		
Natural Science Formal Skills	Natural Science Formal Skills	Computer
SOPHOMORE YEAR		
Statistics Foundation	HDP 1 Foundation	HDP Lab Foundation
JUNIOR YEAR		
Foundation Development Advanced Statistics**	Development Development	Development Field Research
SENIOR YEAR		
Development Honor's Thesis**	HDP 150 Development Honor's Thesis**	Development Honor's Thesis**

** Only required for students participating in the HDP Honor's Program.

COURSES

LOWER-DIVISION

HDP 1. Introduction to Human Development (4)
This course introduces students to the central issues in the basic areas in human development. The course will explain relationships between biological, cognitive, social, and cultural aspects of development. Offered once per year.

UPPER-DIVISION

HDP 130. Development of Communication in Children (4)
(Same as COHI 108.) The course serves as an introduction to research methods in the study of child development. The special focus of the course will be on how children acquire competence in symbolic communication, including language, drawing, writing, and number systems. Observation of children in their interactions with each other and adults will be required. *Prerequisite:* HDP 1 or COHI 100. (S)

HDP 131. Fifth Dimension for Elementary Schools (6)
Students will participate four hours per week in classrooms at Torrey Pines Elementary School integrating the Fifth Dimension model of collaborative exploratory learning. Outside work will include readings and class preparation, as well as responding to children's written inquiries, writing field notes, and writing a paper. *Prerequisite:* HDP 1 (F,W,S)

HDP 135. Practicum in Child Development (6)
(Same as COMT 116/PSYC 128.) A combined lecture and laboratory course for students in psychology, communication, and human development. Student backgrounds should include a background in general psychology or communication. Students will be expected to spend four hours a week in a supervised practical after-school setting at one of the community field sites involving children. Additional time will be devoted to readings and class prep, as well as, six hours a week transcribing field notes and writing a paper on some aspect of the field work experience as it relates to class lectures and readings. *Prerequisite:* HDP 1 or COHI 100 or PSYC 101. (F,W,S)

HDP 150. Advanced Human Development (4)
Seminar for graduating HDP seniors. Readings and discussion of special topics in human development. Provides advanced-level study on subfields of human development. Topics vary quarterly. *Prerequisites:* HDP1, HDP 191, senior standing, and department approval. (F,W,S)

HDP 191. Field Research in Human Development (4)
This course provides students the opportunity to participate jointly in a research project in conjunction with a mentor/collaborator from a local service site. Students will participate at an off-campus site for a minimum of four hours per week for a ten-week quarter. Research sites are arranged by the instructor prior to the ten-week quarter. Students choose among research sites according to their interests and future career plans. This applied research experience allows students to participate in different aspects of research projects in a variety of settings. Students employ various research methods reviewed in class that are suited to the particular research settings. *Prerequisites:* HDP 1 and department approval one quarter prior to enrollment. (F,W,S)

HDP 194A-B-C. Honors Thesis (4-4-4)
Students will take part in a weekly research seminar. In addition, they will plan and carry out a three-quarter research project under the guidance of a faculty member. The project will form the basis for their senior honors thesis. *Prerequisites:* overall GPA of 3.2, and a 3.5 GPA for courses taken in the human development major; an advanced course in statistics or experimental design, and consent of instructor.

HDP 199. Independent Study in Human Development (4)
Independent study and research under the direction of a faculty member. *Prerequisite:* Consent of the instructor and department.