Ph.D. Direct Option in Human Sciences, HDFS Concentration

The Ph.D. Direct Option in Human Sciences, with a concentration in Human Development and Family Science (HDFS), is a post-Baccalaureate doctoral program in which students earn (1) a M.S. (thesis) in HDFS and (2) a Ph.D. in Human Sciences with a concentration in HDFS. It is expected that students in the **Direct Option** program complete the M.S. thesis within 2 years of enrollment in the program. These students must complete the M.S. within 3 years to remain in good standing in the Ph.D. program. Dual enrolled MS thesis students in this program must complete the thesis before taking the doctoral preliminary exam.

The Ph.D. portion requires a minimum of 36 semester hours in coursework plus 24 semester hours in dissertation beyond the master's degree. Courses that were not included on the M.S. POS but that were taken prior to a student being awarded the M.S., may be included on the Ph.D. POS and counted toward the degree. At least 21 semester hours of graduate courses are selected within the Department, and no more than 6 credits of courses graded with S/U (not including thesis credits) are allowed.

Ph.D. Direct Option in Human Sciences, HDFS Curriculum

Dual Enrolled Master's Thesis

Required Core Courses		**10 credit hours**
CHD 5617	Professional Development in HDFS	1
CHD 5266	Advanced Child Development	3
FAD 5263	Advanced Family Studies	3
CHD 6261	Theories of Child Development	
	OR	3
FAD 6436	Theories of Family Sciences	

Required Research and Statistics		**minimum 12 credit hours**
CHD 5915	Methods of Research I	3
FAD 5700	Applied Research in Human Sciences	3
FAD 5971	Thesis (S/U)	6
FAD 8976	Thesis Defense	0

Elective Courses within HDFS (examples)*		**8 credit hours**
CHD 5618	Policy Development and Analysis in HDFS	3
FAD 5702	Grant Writing in HDFS	3
CHD 6264	Assessment Techniques for Children and Families	3
CHD 6636	Development of Social Withdrawal, Inhibition, Shyness, and Anxiety from Childhood to Young Adulthood	3
FAD 5900r	Readings in HDFS (topics vary)	3
FAD 5906r	Directed Individual Study (topics vary) (S/U)	1-3
CHD 5906r	Directed Individual Study (topics vary) (S/U)	1-3

** Courses are selected with approval from the Advisory Committee in developing the program of study.*

TOTAL MINIMUM M.S. (includes thesis credits)	**30 credit hour**

Note. A minimum of 18 credit hours must be letter-graded courses, r – repeatable course with different topics to specific limit indicated in the FSU Graduate Bulletin, For FAD 5971-Thesis the minimum credit hours required is 6 total.

Doctoral

Required Core Courses		**13-14 credit hours**
HOE 6366	Research Best Practices in Human Sciences	2
FAD 5481	College Teaching in Family Sciences (S/U)	2-3
CHD or FAD 5942	Supervised Teaching (S/U)	3
FAD 6266	Family Diversity	3
FAD 6436	Theories of Family Science	
	OR	3
CHD 6261	Theories of Child Development	

Required Research and Statistics		**minimum 31-33 credit hours**
FAD 5705	Qualitative Research in HDFS	3
FAD or CHD 5912r	Supervised Research (S/U)	1-3
FAD 6917	Research Methods in HDFS	3
FAD or CHD 8964r	Preliminary Doctoral Exam	0
FAD or CHD 6980	Dissertation (S/U)	24
FAD or CHD 8985r	Dissertation Defense Examination	0

Data Analytic Electives (examples)		**15 credit hours**
COM 5317	Content Analysis in Communication Research	3
EDF 5402	Adv. Topics in Analysis of Variance Apps.	3
EDF 5406	Multivariate Analysis Applications	3
EDF 5409	Causal Modeling	3
EDF 5410	Nonparametric Analysis Applications	3
FAD 6701	Adv Longitudinal Model in FS	3
FAD 6935r	Special Topics FCD: Dyadic Data Analysis	3
SOW 6407	Survey Research Methods	3
STA 5179	Applied Survival Analysis	3
STA 5856	Time Series and Forecasting Methods	3

HDFS Departmental Elective Courses (examples)*		**3 credit hours**
CHD 5618	Policy Development and Analysis in HDFS	3
FAD 5702	Grant Writing in HDFS	3
CHD 6264	Assessment Techniques for Children and Families	3
CHD 6636	Development of Social Withdrawal, Inhibition, Shyness, and Anxiety from Childhood to Young Adulthood	3
FAD 5900r	Readings in HDFS (topics vary)	3
FAD 5906r	Directed Individual Study (topics vary) (S/U)	1-3
CHD 5906r	Directed Individual Study (topics vary) (S/U)	1-3

Non-repeatable courses may only be taken once to count for a degree. If a non-repeatable course was taken towards the master's degree, it cannot be taken again for the doctoral degree.

TOTAL MINIMUM Ph.D. (includes 24 credits for dissertation) 62 credit hours

TOTAL MINIMUM Ph.D. Direct Option with dual enrolled M.S. 92 credit hours

Note: r – repeatable course with different topics to a specific limit indicated in the FSU Graduate Bulletin

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