The minor in human development and family science consists of 15 semester hours. The department focuses on issues related to normal human development across the lifespan and views the family as the primary context in which development occurs. A primary objective is to increase knowledge and understanding of human and family development and the impact of developmental and social factors on the overall being of individuals and families.

The minor consists of the following Human Development and Family Science courses: 2200, 2400, 3440, and two additional courses chosen from: 3200, 4370, 5340, 5350, 5410, and 5430. All course prerequisites must be met.

After the academic program coordinator in the College of Education and Human Ecology has approved the minor program form, students should file it with their college or school counselor.

Human Development and Family Science minor program guidelines
The following guidelines govern minors:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the 15 credit hr minimum.

Transfer credit hours allowed A maximum of 6

Overlap with the GE Permitted.

Overlap with the major Not allowed and
• The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
• Courses specified on the major that are also part of an established minor can be counted toward both the major and the minor.

Overlap between minors Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.

Grades required
• Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
• Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

Minor Approval Early declaration of the minor and early consultation with an academic advisor to discuss course choices is highly encouraged. Any variation from the coursework described on the minor sheet needs the approval of an academic advisor in a department/school or the academic program coordinator in the College of Education and Human Ecology. If you follow the course guidelines on the minor sheet with no variation, no additional approval is required.

When preparing to graduate:
• If “OK” appears next to your minor on your DAR, you have met the minor requirements and the minor can be officially approved.
• If “NO” appears next to your minor on the DAR, you must meet with an academic advisor or the academic program coordinator listed on the minor sheet
• If your minor does NOT appear on your DAR, you must meet with an academic advisor or the academic program coordinator listed on the minor sheet

Filing the minor program form Students must declare their minor with the College of Education and Human Ecology at least by the time the graduation application is submitted. Early declaration is highly encouraged.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by an academic advisor