

Human Development & Family Studies

Department Honors Program Proposal

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MU undergraduate students who have a 3.5 cumulative MU GPA can select to pursue the requirements for the HDFS Honors Program and graduate with department honors in HDFS. To complete the HDFS Honors Program eligible students must:

- 1) select and meet with a faculty honors mentor (selected from full-time HDFS faculty members) early after admission to the department to complete the Honors application. (attached)
- 2) enroll in the honors section of department courses *when such sections are offered*.
- 3) attend 10 department or campus research colloquia that are pre-approved by the faculty honors mentor. For each colloquium, the student must write a one-page, typed reflective essay to be turned into the faculty honors mentor.
- 4) engage in a significant year-long (at least 2 semesters) research experience with a faculty member (not necessarily the faculty honors mentor). Students register for HDFS 4085 (Problems) for 3-6 credit hours (1 credit hour = 40 hours of research work). The research supervisor assigns the S/U grade for this course upon evaluation of the research project.
- 5) complete a written research paper/thesis based on the research experience noted in #4.
- 6) present the completed research (noted in #4) to HDFS faculty and students in a public forum.

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Application for Departmental Honors

Date: _____

Name: _____ Student Number _____

University of Missouri email address: _____

Selected Faculty Mentor: _____

How many semesters at MU have you completed? _____

How many semesters have you been in the HDFS major? _____

MU Cumulative GPA _____

HDFS GPA _____

Anticipated graduation date: _____

HDFS emphasis area (check one):

- Child Development and Education
- Child Life
- Families and Lifespan Development

Return this completed application to:

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Honor's Verification of Completion Form
(to be maintained by Faculty Mentor)

Student: _____ Student Number _____

HDFS Honors Program Application Approval Date: _____

Date Requirements Completed _____

Faculty Mentor: _____ Signature _____

Checklist for HDFS Honors Requirements

Requirement	Completion Date	Details (title, presenter, department)
<u>Research Colloquium #1</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #2</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #3</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #4</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #5</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #6</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #7</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #8</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #9</u>	_____	_____
<u>Research Colloquium #10</u>	_____	_____

Honors Courses: _____

Research Credits Taken: _____

Public Presentation of Research: _____
