

A certificate in youth development is ideal for professionals in a variety of youth-related fields. Areas include youth-serving organizations like 4-H; Boys and Girls Club; non-profit organizations; faith-based groups; community recreation facilities; correctional professions; elementary, middle and high school educators; and extension educators.

**Youth Development Specialist (13 credits)**

**Required:**

HDFS 7231: Foundations of Youth Development (1)

**And any four of the following courses (12 credits):**

HDFS 8234: Adolescents and their Families (3)

HDFS 8236: Federal and State Policies that Impact Youth Development (3)

HDFS 8237: Youth Culture (3)

HDFS 8239: Community Youth Development (3)

HDFS 8240: Youth Development (3)

HDFS 7001: Topics in Contemporary Youth Issues (3)