



INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION

Mizzou's 100% Online Graduate Program in Youth Development prepares students to provide youth with opportunities to learn and grow using the principles and practices of the positive youth development approach.



ENGAGE YOUTH AND HELP THEM SUCCEED

Recognize youth strengths, foster positive relationships, and provide opportunities to learn, lead, connect, and serve



UNDERSTAND YOUTH CONTEXT AND ENGAGE STAKEHOLDERS

Recognize diverse contexts that impact youth and partner with families, schools, communities, and policymakers



CREATE AND SUSTAIN YOUTH PROGRAMS

Use evidence-informed practices to design, deliver, administer, evaluate, and fund effective youth programs

DIVERSE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our graduates work in a variety of positive youth development settings

- 4-H | County Extension offices
- Afterschool programs
- Youth camps and recreation programs
- Juvenile justice | Foster care
- Faith-based youth programs
- Schools | Education support programs

FLEXIBLE PROGRAMS THAT FIT YOUR GOALS

Master of Arts (36 credits)

- Customize your elective courses and capstone experiences

Graduate Certificates (13 credits)

Youth Development Specialist
Youth Program Management & Evaluation

- Specialize without the commitment of a master's degree
- Add to another degree program by specializing in youth development

Rolling admission; Courses offered year-round; Take up to 3 classes at a time

LEARN MORE

online.missouri.edu/YouthDevelopment



Human Development and Family Science
University of Missouri



“The most interesting part about taking classes with people from different countries is their different perspectives. It was a great opportunity to share ideas for how to overcome our unique challenges.”

**PENNY KITTLE | MILAN, MO
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT (MA) '18**

After earning the degree, Penny earned a job promotion and now serves as a County Engagement Specialist in 4-H Youth Development in northern Missouri.



“This program was perfect for my passion of working with youth. We never stop learning. We never stop growing. I want to be that person that is ‘there’ for the youth I work with at all times.”

**KEARSTEN PEOPLES | GAINESVILLE, FL
YOUTH DEVELOPMENT (MA) '19**

After earning her degree, Kearsten was hired as a Post-Graduate Intern for Student Athlete Enhancement in Academic Advising at the University of Florida.

MIZZOU IS A GREAT CHOICE

FLEXIBLE

- 100% online, no campus visits required
- Work full time while earning your degree
- Customize electives to meet your goals

AFFORDABLE

- Flat-rate tuition; no distance or out-of-state costs
- Tuition reduction available for MU/Extension employees, military members
- Federal financial aid eligible for MA and certificate

PRACTICAL

- Applied focus for your current work or future career
- Learn along with other working professionals
- Hands-on advisors help you meet your goals

A UNIQUE DISTANCE EDUCATION

Mizzou participates in the Great Plains Interactive Distance Education Alliance (IDEA). When you enroll in our HDFFS online graduate degree programs, you enroll and pay tuition at Mizzou; your courses are fully online and taught by expert faculty at each of our partner institutions. With us, you'll learn with students from around the globe. Learn more at gpidea.org.

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