

**UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FORMS****Academic Program Approval**

This form is a routing document for the approval of new and revised academic programs. Proposing department should complete this form. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

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**Department:** Human Development and Family Studies email address unger@udel.edu

**Date:** 11/10/09

**Action:** New 4 + 1 MS Accelerated Program  
(Example: add major/minor/concentration, delete major/minor/concentration, revise major/minor/concentration, academic unit name change, request for permanent status, policy change, etc.)

**Effective term:** 10F  
(use format 04F, 05W)

**Current degree:** MS  
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

**Proposed change leads to the degree of:** MS  
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

**Proposed name:** 4+ 1 BS and MS in Human Services Leadership  
Proposed new name for revised or new major / minor / concentration / academic unit (if applicable)

**Revising or Deleting:**

**Undergraduate major / Concentration:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Example: Applied Music – Instrumental degree BMAS)

**Undergraduate minor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

**Graduate Program Policy statement change:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(**Must attach** your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

**Graduate Program of Study:** MS Human Development & Family Studies  
Concentration: Human Services Leadership  
(Example: Animal Science: MS Animal Science: PHD Economics: MA Economics: PHD)

**Graduate minor / concentration:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: all graduate studies proposals must include an electronic copy of the Graduate Program Policy Document, highlighting the changes made to the original policy document.**

**List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations)?**

(Be aware that approval of the curriculum is dependent upon these courses successfully passing through the Course Challenge list. If there are no new courses enter “None”)

**Explain, when appropriate, how this new/revised curriculum supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education:** <http://www.ugs.udel.edu/gened/>

**Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:**

(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter “None”)

None

**Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):**

(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

HDFS is proposing an accelerated, 4+1 pathway for UD Human Services undergraduate majors. This will be an alternative pathway to completing the HDFS concentration in Human Services Leadership.. This would be exclusively for UD Human Services undergraduate majors in the Department of Human Development & Family Studies. This will provide high achieving and excelling Human Services undergraduate majors the opportunity to pursue the Masters degree with a concentration in Human Services Leadership in conjunction with their undergraduate degrees (i.e. a 4+1 pathway). Because the organization that accredits Human Services Education programs (CSHSE) aligns the requirements of a master’s program in Human Services with the similar content of an undergraduate Human Services curriculum, an accelerated 4+1 program will be conceptually, academically sound, build upon strengths of the undergraduate program, deepen learning through graduate study, and be in compliance with Masters degree CSHSE accreditation standards. In addition, undergraduate students who pursue this 4+1 option will likely have accelerated opportunities for growth into administrative and policy human service positions as well as a more diverse offering of career choices upon graduating with a Masters degree.

**Program Requirements:**

(Show the new or revised curriculum as it should appear in the Course Catalog. If this is a revision, be sure to indicate the changes being made to the current curriculum and **include a side-by-side comparison** of the credit distribution before and after the proposed change.)

The requirements for the MS HDFS degree with a concentration in Human Services Leadership would remain the same. What would change is the admission requirements for undergraduate students who a) are Human Services majors at the University of Delaware, and b) choose to apply for this accelerated pathway to the MS degree. Human Services majors interested in the 4+1 program could apply for admission into the MS program after completing 60 or more credits in their BS Human Services program. Admission would be based on the results of the GRE, GPA, work experience, letters of recommendation, extracurricular activities, maturity, and a personal interview. The HDFS graduate committee would review applications and provisional admittance would be made by the Office of Graduate Studies. Upon completion of the undergraduate degree, the provisional status would be removed, and then students could be considered for graduate assistantships, when available. It is anticipated that approximately 5 students will be admitted each year.

Human Services majors accepted into the 4+1 program would be able to “waive” up to three undergraduate courses in the BS program that corresponded with similar course content in three specific graduate HDFS courses, i.e. HDFS 470 or HDFS 475 could be waived for HDFS 601, HDFS 422 could be waived for HDFS 621, and HDFS 449 (3 credits) or HDFS 364 could be waived

for HDFS 669. For any of these undergraduate courses to be waived, the student would need to earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in the corresponding HDFS graduate courses.

In addition, students provisionally enrolled in the MS program while an undergraduate could take up to three additional graduate-level courses (9 credits). They would then be able to complete the remaining credits toward the MS degree within one year in order to achieve the 33 credit MS HDFS program in Human Services Leadership. The work toward the MS degree could also be pursued part-time over a longer period of time.

This proposal maintains the integrity of the current MS Graduate program as well as the current BS program, i.e. the same graduate requirements are required of all MS students, and BS students have the opportunity to take graduate level courses in the same content areas that are required within their undergraduate human services program, gaining greater depth in knowledge and experience.

<p>The MS program in Human Development and Family Studies focuses on the relationship of the family and its members to other systems across the life span. The minimum total credits for the MS in Human Development and Family Studies is 30-36.</p> <p>Requirements are listed below.</p> <p>HDFS 601 Theories of Human Development .....3  HDFS 615 Research Methods.....3  HDFS 621 Family Studies I: Empirical and Theoretical Perspective.....3  EDUC 665 Elementary Statistics** .....3  600/800 level Statistics course .....3  HDFS 600/800 Elective .....3  600/800 level Interest Electives .....6*  HDFS 869 Thesis .....6</p> <p><b>TOTAL 30-36</b></p> <p>*Courses must be focused on the delivery of services to individuals and disabilities or in risk situations and/or their families. These services can include residential, employment, health and medical, transportation, family support or other specific services.  **Substitution for <u>EDUC 665</u> needs approval from the Advisor.</p> <p><b>MS Concentration in Public and Nonprofit Management &amp; Leadership</b>  Concentration: Public and Nonprofit Management and Leadership (15 credits)</p> <p>Choose 5 courses, in consultation with your Academic Advisor, from the following list:  HDFS 637 Program Planning, Assessment and Evaluation .....3  HDFS 642 Leadership in Human Services .....3  UAPP 819 Management Decision Making in Public and Nonprofit Sectors .....3  UAPP 833 Financial Management in Public and</p>	<p>The MS program in Human Development and Family Studies focuses on the relationship of the family and its members to other systems across the life span. The minimum total credits for the MS in Human Development and Family Studies is 30-36.</p> <p>Requirements are listed below.</p> <p>HDFS 601 Theories of Human Development ..... 3  HDFS 615 Research Method ..... 3  HDFS 621 Family Studies I: Empirical and Theoretical Perspectives ..... 3  EDUC 665 Elementary Statistics* ..... 3  600/800 level Statistics course ..... 3  HDFS 600/800 Elective ..... 3  600/800 level Interest Electives ..... 6**  HDFS 869 Thesis ..... 6</p> <p><b>TOTAL 30-36</b></p> <p>*Courses must be focused on the delivery of services to individuals and disabilities or in risk situations and/or their families. These services can include residential, employment, health and medical, transportation, family support or other specific services.  **Substitution for <u>EDUC 665</u> needs approval from the Advisor.</p> <p><b>MS Concentration in Human Services Leadership</b>  Concentration: Human Services Leadership (15 credits)</p> <p>Choose 5 courses, in consultation with your Academic Advisor, from the following list:  HDFS 637 Program Planning, Assessment and Evaluation ..... 3  HDFS 642 Leadership in Human Services ..... 3  HDFS 669 Supervised Field Experience ..... 3  UAPP 692 Management Decision Making in Public and Nonprofit Sectors ..... 3  UAPP 694 Financial Management in Public and</p>
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<p>Nonprofit Sectors .....3  UAPP 834 Economics in Public and Nonprofit  Sectors .....3  UAPP 835 Organizations and Management in  Public and Nonprofit Sectors .....3  UAPP 837 Human Resources Management in  Public and Nonprofit Sectors .....3</p>	<p>Nonprofit Sectors ..... 3  UAPP 693 Public Economics ..... 3  UAPP 697 Leading Organizations in Public and  Nonprofit Sectors ..... 3  UAPP 696 Human Resources in Public and Nonprofit  Organizations ..... 3</p> <p>UD Human Services (BS) undergraduate majors  who are provisionally granted admission to the  MS program/Human Services Concentration and  subsequently admitted can waive the requirement  to take a) HDFS 470 or HDFS 475 by completing  HDFS 601, b) HDFS 422 by completing HDFS 621,  and c) HDFS 449 (3 credits) by taking HDFS 669 (3  credits). For any undergraduate course  requirement to be waived, the student would  need to earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in the  corresponding HDFS graduate course. In addition,  students who are provisionally approved can take  up to three additional 3-credit graduate courses  during toward the 33 credit MS requirement.  Refer to <a href="http://www.hdfs.udel.edu">www.hdfs.udel.edu</a> for information about  application procedures for provisional admission.</p>
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