

# HDFS Seminar Requirements and Information for HDFS Majors

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## **200 level HDFS Seminar Requirements**

- Three approved 200 level HDFS seminar courses are required in the HDFS Major.
- Of these three approved 200 level seminar courses, two must be offerings from the UVM HDFS Program. Students considering a 200 level seminar offered outside of the UVM HDFS Program must submit the course syllabus for program review and approval to count as one of the three required seminars.
- Students cannot take more than TWO 200 level HDFS seminars in a single semester. Taking seminars across two or more semesters provides opportunity for deepening critical thinking and writing skills and applying these skills along with new understandings to subsequent seminar courses.
- Students may take courses numbered “HDFS 295” more than once, provided that each seminar course offering is unique.
- HDFS 290, 292, and HDFS 297 do not count toward the 200 level HDFS seminar requirement.

## **Seminar Offerings & Course Registration Considerations**

- At least two unique HDFS seminars will be offered each fall and spring semester, totaling four unique seminars in an academic year.
- HDFS seminars are not typically offered during summer sessions.

## **Sample Offerings**

### *Academic Year 1*

- *Fall Semester*
  - o Contemporary Issues in Parenting (HDFS 264)
  - o Adolescent Development in Context (HDFS 285)
- *Spring Semester*
  - o Advanced Child Development (HDFS 263)
  - o Special Topics: Family Theories (HDFS 295)

### *Academic Year 2*

- *Fall Semester*
  - o HDFS 268: Close Relationships
  - o HDFS 285: Adolescent Development in Context (Repeat #1 from prior year)
- *Spring Semester*
  - o HDFS 263: Advanced Child Development (Repeat # 2 from prior year)
  - o Special Topics: Intimate Partner and Family Violence (HDFS 295)