

## BS/MA 4+1 in Learning, Developmental & Family Sciences Human Development & Family Relations Program Concentration

Students in the BS/MA 4+1 Program in LDFS HDFR will have a pathway to **complete a BS and MA in HDFR in 5 years**. Students will also have opportunities for accelerated opportunities to work and lead in community based organizations with culturally and diverse families in community and educational settings

HDFR undergraduate students may apply to the BS/MA program after completing 60+ credits. A holistic admission process will include a comprehensive review of GPA, 2 letters of recommendation, demonstrated leadership experiences, and an interview with HDFR faculty. A minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA and 3.3 major GPA will be required and students must have a HDFR faculty mentor who will strongly support their BS/MA application.

## **Procedures:**

HDFR undergraduate students who are granted admission to the BS/MA program and effectively subsequently admitted to MA in LDFS HDFR can substitute undergraduate courses and complete graduate courses:

- Two (2) HDFR 4000 level courses by completing two (2) HDFR graduate level course (3 credits each, 6 credits total). Course must be approved by faculty advisor.
- HDFR 4930 Internship (5 credits) must be completed at the undergraduate level of the BSMA.
- LDFS 6950 Capstone Culminating Experience must be completed while in the MA level of the BSMA.

## Course Requirements for the MA in LDFS HDFR for BA/MA students

Course	Credits	Semester Planned	Semester Completed
Core Courses (9 credits)			
HDFR 6000 Family Theories or			
Advisor Approved HDFR Course	3		
Recommended during fall semester in students' first year in the program			
LDFS 6200 Human Development Over the Life Span	3		
LDFS 5110 Human Learning	3		
Statistics, Research Methods and Capstone (9 credits)			-
RSEM 5100 Basic Statistics	3		
RSEM 5120 Introduction to Research Methods or			
RSEM 5080 Research in Schools or	3		
Advisor Approved Advanced Research Methods Course			
LDFS 6950 Culminating Capstone Experience*	3		
This course is offered in fall semester only	3		
Inventory (12 credits)			
Students select a total of four (4) graduate-level (5000+) elective courses based on their professional and academic goals in consultation with their faculty or academic advisor. Two (2) of these are taken at the graduate-level during the undergraduate portion of the 4+1 program.			
Courses may be selected from the inventories available at <a href="https://education.ucdenver.edu/academic-services/student-">https://education.ucdenver.edu/academic-services/student-</a>			
resources/thematic-course-categories with faculty or academic advisor approval prior to completing courses			
*Students planning to complete a master's thesis as their capstone experience are encouraged to take RSEM 7110 Intermediate Stats (after RSEM 5100 Basic Statistics), RSEM 7080 Qualitative Inquiry, or another RSEM class related to your intended research method(s) as one of the electives			
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Total Credits for MA	30		