

**BS/MA in Learning, Developmental & Family Sciences (LDFS)
Learning Program Concentration**

Students in the BS/MA 4+1 Program in LDFS Learning will have a pathway to **complete a BS and MA in Learning 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/LDFS faculty. A minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA and 3.3 major GPA will be required and students must have a HDFR/LDFS 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 Learning can substitute undergraduate courses and complete graduate courses:

- *Two (2) HDFR 4000 level courses by completing two (2) HDFR/LDFS graduate level course (3 credits each, 6 credits total).*
- 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 Learning for BA/MA students

Course	Credits	Semester Planned	Semester Completed
Core Courses (9 credits)			
LDFS 5110 Human Learning	3		
LDFS 6320 Mind, Brain & Education or LDFS 6600 Motivation in Contexts	3		
LDFS 6750 Designing Environment for Learning and Development	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 Advisor Approved Advanced Research Methods Course	3		
LDFS 6950 Culminating Capstone Experience* <i>This course is offered in fall semester only</i>	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 https://education.ucdenver.edu/academic-services/student-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		