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Columbus, OH 43210

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To: W. Randy Smith, Vice Provost – Council on Academic Affairs

From: Pete Locascio, Executive Director of Undergraduate Education, EHE

RE: INFORMATIONAL ITEM: = ) 7 o **BS program**,  
Department of = o . Please find materials included in this proposal related  
to a small-scale revision.

The department proposes:

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These changes account for roughly % of change to the curriculum. This was approved by the  
EHE Curriculum Committee on V , 2025.

If there are any questions, please contact me at [Locascio.7@osu.edu](mailto:Locascio.7@osu.edu)



November 12, 2025

Pete Locascio

Executive Director of Undergraduate Education

EHE Office of Undergraduate Education

Dear Pete:

I am writing to express my support for the proposed new course request and an update to the curriculum as a result, effective Autumn 2026:

1. **HDFS 3600 Citizenship and Family Policy (3cr)**

Proposal: New course, GE Theme (Citizenship for a Just and Diverse World), In-person modality

2. **HDFS, B.S.**

Update: Add HDFS 3600 to Group B

Attached you will find the necessary documentation outlining proposal details. Review of and approval from the Human Development and Human Sciences faculty and the Department of Human Sciences Undergraduate Studies Chair Committee has been obtained. There are no negative budgetary implications and no additional funds or human resources necessary for the execution of this new course request. If you have any questions or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

**Sue Sutherland, PhD**

*Pronouns: she/her/hers*

Professor, Associate Department Chair

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Bachelor of Science in HDFS



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General Education Requirements (32-39 Hours)		HOURS
<b>Bookends (2 Hours)</b>		
Launch Seminar		1
Reflection Seminar		1
<b>Foundations (22-25 Hours)</b>		
Writing & Information Literacy		3
Mathematical & Quantitative Reasoning or Data Analysis		3-5
Literary, Visual & Performing Arts		3
Historical & Cultural Studies		3
Natural Science		4-5
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3
Race, Ethnic & Gender Diversity		3
<b>Thematic Pathways (8-12 Hours)</b>		
Take 4-6 hours from Citizenship for a Diverse & Just World and 4-6 hours from another Thematic Pathway of choice.		
Citizenship for a Diverse & Just World		4-6
<b>Choice of 4-6 hours from one additional Thematic Pathway:</b>		<b>4-6</b>
Lived Environments	Origins & Evolution	
Sustainability	Traditions, Cultures, & Transformations	
Health & Wellbeing	Number, Nature, Mind	
	Migration, Mobility, & Immobility	
<b>EHE 1100 College Survey</b>		<b>1</b>

Supporting Course Requirements(9 Hours)	HOURS
PSYCH 1100 Introductionto Psychology (can overlap with GE Social & Behavioral Sciences)	3
SOCIOL 1101 IntroductorySociology, or SOCIOL 1102 Social Found.of Race, Ethnicity,Gender, and Social Class (can overlap with GE Race, Ethnicity,& Gender Div.)	3
STAT 1350.xx Elementary Statistics, or STAT 1450.xx Introductionto the Practice of Statistics (either can overlap with GE Mathematical& Quantitative Reasoning or Data Analysis)	3
Major Requirements(42 Hours)	HOURS
<b>Major Core</b>	<b>27</b>
HDFS 2101 LIVES AND RELATIONSHIPS: An Introduction to Human Development and Family Science	3
HDFS 2200 Family Development	3
HDFS 2400 Life Span Human Development	3
HDFS 2410 Child Development,or HDFS 2420 Adolescence and Emerging Adult Development, or HDFS 2430 Adult Development & Aging	3
HDFS 2210 Helping Skills in Context	3
HDFS 2367 American Family Issues	3
HDFS 2900 Methodsin Human EcologyResearch	3
HDFS 3200 Foundationsof Family Science	3
HDFS 3440 Human Sexuality and IntersectionalityAcross the Lifespan	3
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HDFS 4370 Families andStress	3
HDFS 5200 Foundationsof Couple and Family Therapy	3
HDFS 5350 Families with Adolescents	3
HDFS 5410 Infant-ToddlerDevelopment: Current Research and Controversies	3
HDFS 5430 Adult Development and Aging	3
HDFS 5440 Human Sexuality in Context	3
HDFS 5560 Advanced Family Development	3
HDFS 5890 Special Topicsin Family Development	3
<b>Group B</b> Choose at least 9 hours from the following:	<b>9</b>
Any Group A courses not used toward fulfillingthe Group A requirement	
HDFS 2189 Introductionto Field Work	4
HDFS 2350 Parenting	3
HDFS 2410 or HDFS 2420 or HDFS 2430 (whichever not taken in Major Core)	3
HDFS 3189.xx Field Workwith Targeted Populations	1-3
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Group B (continued from Page 2)	HOURS
HDFS 3193 Practicum in Human Development and Family Science Research	1-3
HDFS 3300 Promoting Early Language and Literacy in ECD&E	3
HDFS 3310 Developing Age Appropriate Curriculum for Infants and Toddlers	3
HDFS 3320 Development Age Appropriate Curriculum in Youth Programs	3
HDFS 3330 Service Learning and Positive Youth Development for School Age	3
HDFS 3450 Positive Guidance of Young Children in Group Contexts	3
<b>HDFS 3600 Citizenship and Family Policy (add course, GEN Theme Citizenship for a Just and Diverse World)</b>	<b>3</b>
HDFS 3620 Intervention and Prevention Practices: Development and Evaluation	3
HDFS 3800 Professional Development	1
HDFS 3850 Leading Early Childhood Education, Childcare, and School-Age Programs	3
HDFS 4998 Undergraduate Research in Human Development and Family Science	1-3
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