**The Ohio State University**

**Colleges of Education and Human Ecology, Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Social Work**

**Approved by Colleges of the Arts and Sciences**

**Interdisciplinary Minor in Youth Development (YTHDEV-MN)**

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An interdisciplinary minor offered through the Colleges of Arts and Sciences (Social and Behavioral Sciences & Humanities); Education and Human Ecology; Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences; and Social Work.

**Purpose:** This interdisciplinary minor is designed to provide students with knowledge and skills about youth development principles, processes, and practices. Students with career interests in youth services and education (non-formal and formal) are ideal candidates. This minor will prepare students for careers in schools and out-of-school organizations such Boys and Girls Clubs, YMCAs, FFA, 4-H, and various youth sport organizations and through other employers such as city governments, parks, recreation centers, and after-school programs. The Youth Development minor would also be valuable for students majoring in social work pursuing careers serving youth populations, from hospitals to residential treatment centers.

**Requirements and Responsibilities:** This minor is appropriate for students in all majors at the Ohio State University. All course prerequisites must be met. *HDFS 364* (Lifespan Human Development) or *Psych 340* (Lifespan Developmental Psychology) are recommended to take for foundational purposes. A minor consists of a minimum of 15 – 16 hours as follows:

**Required Courses (12-13 credit hours):**

**Choose one:** HDFS X362 (3), HDFS X570 (2), PSYCH X551 (3)

**Take all three:** COMLDR 5350 (4), PAES X542 (3), SOCWORK X310 (3)

**Electives (at least 3 credits):**

AFAMAST X290 (3), ANTHROP X630 (3), COMM X501 (3), EDUPL X607.07 (3), PAES X245 (2), PAES X262 (2), PSYCH X555 (3), PSYCH X684 (3), SOCIOL X310 (3), SOCIOL X511 (3), SOCWORK X597 (3)

### Youth Development Minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern the Youth Development minor.

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15-16

Transfer credit hours allowed A maximum of 6

Overlap with the GE Permitted as student’s college allows

Overlap with the major Not allowed unless the minimum number of hours required in the major is met.

Overlap between minors Each minor completed must contain at least 12 unique hours.

Grades required

• Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.

• Minimum 2.0 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.

• Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

Approval required The minor program description sheet indicates if the minor course work must be approved by: a college/school counselor

#### Filing the minor program form A minor should be declared before accumulating 60 hours and the Minor Program Form must be filed at least two quarters prior to graduation.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:a college/ school counselor

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