



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

**Substantive Program Modification Form**

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	<b>SDSU</b>
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM DEGREE:</b>	<b>Minor</b>
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM MAJOR/MINOR:</b>	<b>Human Development and Family Studies</b>
<b>CURRENT SPECIALIZATION:</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	<b>19.0701</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>School of Education, Counseling and Human Development</b>
<b>BANNER DEPARTMENT CODE:</b>	<b>SECH</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY COLLEGE:</b>	<b>Education &amp; Human Sciences</b>
<b>BANNER COLLEGE CODE:</b>	<b>3H</b>

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

Dennis D. Hedge

Vice President of Academic Affairs or  
President of the University

10/8/2024

Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required within the discipline     | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of supportive course work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits of elective course work            | <input type="checkbox"/> Total credits required for program      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program name                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Existing specialization                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CIP Code   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Revised Coursework    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modification requiring Board of Regents approval |  |

*Must have prior approval from Executive Director or designee*

**2. Effective date of change: 2025-2026 Academic Year**

**3. Program Degree Level:**

Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Doctoral

**4. Category:**

Certificate  Specialization  Minor  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur:**

- On the effective date for all students
- On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

Proposed new name: **Human Development and Family Science**

**6. Is the program being modified associated with a current articulation agreement?**

Yes  No

**a. If yes, will the articulation agreement need to be updated with the partner**

institution following the approve of the program change? Please explain:

### 7. Primary Aspects of the Modification:

Existing Curriculum				Proposed Curriculum ( <i>highlight changes</i> )			
Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.	Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
		Any HDFS courses may be used to complete the minor. Suggested courses include (but are not limited to):	18			Any HDFS courses listed below may be used to complete the minor.	18
HDFS	141	Individual and the Family	3	HDFS	141	Individual and the Family	3
HDFS	150	Early Experience	2	<del>HDFS</del>	<del>150</del>	<del>Early Experience</del>	<del>2</del>
HDFS	210	Lifespan Development	3	HDFS	210	Lifespan Development	3
HDFS	227	Human Development and Personality I: Childhood	3	HDFS	227	Human Development and Personality I: Childhood	3
HDFS OR EDFN	237 340	Human Development II: Adolescence (3) Adolescent Development in Educational Contexts (3)	3	HDFS OR EDFN	237 340	Human Development II: Adolescence (3) Adolescent Development in Educational Contexts (3)	3
HDFS	241	Family Relations	3	HDFS	241	Family Relations	3
HDFS	247	Human Development III: Adulthood	3	HDFS	247	Human Development III: Adulthood	3
HDFS	250	Development of Human Sexuality	3	HDFS	250	Development of Human Sexuality	3
HDFS	255	Program Design, Implementation and Evaluation	3	HDFS	255	Program Design, Implementation and Evaluation	3
				<del>HDFS</del>	<del>327</del>	<del>Research and Evaluation Methods</del>	<del>3</del>
HDFS	341	Family Theories	3	HDFS	341	Family Theories	3
HDFS	410	Parenting	3	HDFS	410	Parenting	3
HDFS	425	Family Resiliency	3	HDFS	425	Family Resiliency	3
HDFS	435	Family Policy	3	HDFS	435	Family Policy	3
Total number of hours required for minor			18	Total number of hours required for minor			18

### 8. Explanation of the Change:

The program name change from *Human Development and Family Studies* to *Human Development and Family Science* is requested to match how the field of family science is known at peer and reach programs (e.g., Ohio State, University of Georgia, Oregon State, Virginia Tech, Miami University, East Carolina University). The National Council on Family Relations, the primary professional organization for family scholarship, formally adopted family science as the preferred term to identify the field (<https://www.ncfr.org/about/what-family-science>). The proposed change will help increase departmental visibility with a variety of stakeholders (e.g., prospective students, the public, and colleagues) and will more closely align professional identities for faculty and students. “Family Science” better reflects the research-oriented nature of the faculty and program, as the discipline is an interdisciplinary translational science focusing on individual, family, and community well-being (Hamon & Smith, 2017). The name change does not impact the mission or structure of the program.

The School of Education, Counseling, and Human Development has revised the minor to require students to select specific courses from a list instead of allowing any HDFS course. Included in this modification was the addition of a research methods course, HDFS 327 Research and Evaluation Methods, within the program for students to have field-specific knowledge and skills and the removal of HDFS 150 Early Experience that is only offered for two credits.