

Developmental and Family Science Capstone Experience Request

Students must propose their capstone plan and receive Undergraduate Committee (Capstone Subcommittee) approval. All capstones must be clearly relevant to the major and of sufficient scope and significance to merit designation as a capstone experience. This request must be submitted no later than the semester before you are to begin your Capstone Experience.

If the student is completing a concentration, the capstone experience must have a clear connection to the student's designated concentration. If a student chooses to complete more than one concentration, the capstone experience must have a clear connection to all of the student's designated concentrations.

Name:

Major: Developmental and Family Science

Optional Concentration:

- Child Development
- Family and Community Health
- No concentration

Select the Capstone Experience that you plan to complete:

Thesis Option (6 credits total)

- Required Courses (Prerequisite: HDFS 346 and Statistics course; the 6 credits of HDFS 49100 must be completed across two consecutive semesters.):
 - HDFS 49100 Mentored Research in HDFS (3 credits)
 - HDFS 49100 Mentored Research in HDFS (3 credits)

Internship Option (8 credits total)

- Required Courses:
 - HDFS 45400 Career Assessment & Professional Development (2 credits)
 - HDFS 45800 Developmental & Family Science Capstone Internship (6 credits)

Study Abroad Options (6 credits total)

- Required Courses:
 - 6 credits of study abroad experience* OR
 - 3 credits of study abroad experience* AND an additional 3 credit course from the Global Perspectives & International Cultures List OR
 - 3 credits of study abroad experience* AND an additional 3 credits of foreign language (continuation of the same language already used for the foreign language requirement)

*To count toward the capstone experience requirement, a study abroad experience must involve a minimum of 14 full days abroad.

Complete the additional page of the form which corresponds with your selection.

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Please provide a brief description of your research topic, and identify the HDFS faculty member who will be supervising it.

I understand that DVFS Capstone Subcommittee approval is required in order to affirm that my capstone plans meet the requirements of the DVFS curriculum. If this plan is approved, I understand that I will need to meet all the requirements of HDFS 49101 and HDFS 49102 in order to complete my capstone requirement and qualify for graduation.

Student Signature

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Page Two: Internship Option**

I understand that DVFS Capstone Subcommittee approval is required in order to affirm that my capstone plans meet the requirements of the DVFS curriculum. If this plan is approved, I understand that my HDFS 45400 instructor, prospective internship site, and I will conjointly determine my internship placement, and that that placement must be relevant to the DVFS major and to my concentration(s), if I am completing one. I understand that I will need to meet all the requirements of HDFS 45400 and HDFS 45800 in order to complete my capstone requirement and qualify for graduation.

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Select one of the following and indicate additional courses that you plan to take, as needed:

_____ Study Abroad experience* (6 credits)

<OR>

_____ Study Abroad experience* (3 credits) and select an additional course from
Global Perspectives & International Cultures List (3 Credits)

<OR>

_____ Study Abroad experience* (3 credits) and fourth semester of foreign
language (3 credits; must be same language as used to fulfill foreign language
requirement in “Other Departmental/Program Course Requirements”)

*To count towards the capstone experience requirement, a study abroad experience must involve a minimum of 14 full days in the country involved in the study abroad experience (this minimum timeframe does not include travel time).

Please provide the following information on the study abroad experience that you plan to complete:

1. A reflective statement (400 word minimum) as to how this experience is relevant to the DVFS major (and your optional concentration(s), if applicable). If you are proposing a 3-credit study abroad experience, then please also indicate the additional course that you will be completing towards the Capstone, and describe how that course relates to the study abroad experience and to your DVFS major.
2. Study Abroad program description and course syllabi
3. Program Itinerary

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