

Careers

Students with a degree from the University at Albany in Human Development will possess skills that will prepare them for employment in schools, social services, child-care organizations, criminal justice, health-care agencies, mental health and community development organizations. They will also be prepared to continue their education in a graduate program in business, child and family advocacy, counseling, education, law, psychology, and social work, as well as to pursue one of the current graduate programs offered in the School of Education in Counseling Psychology, Educational Psychology, Mental Health Counseling, School Psychology, and Special Education.



Dayna Newton Academic & Administrative Coordinator Human Development Program



Description

The Bachelor of Science degree in Human Development explores human psychological, social, cognitive and emotional changes across the lifespan. Human diversity and culture are treated as essential facets of human development, and students will explore issues of equity and social justice as they relate to developmental well-being.

The program will help students build high-quality, specialized knowledge, intensified by research and engagement within the community. All students will take classes in human development, psychology, education, individual differences, research methods and statistics. They will graduate with a strong skills in research methods and be comfortable using data to make professional decisions.

It can be coordinated with other majors or minors at UAlbany to strengthen students' readiness for further professional preparation and advancement.

Concentrations

Counseling Psychology: Will provide the students with a foundation in developmental and counseling psychology, with an emphasis on the underlying psychological processes.

Educational Psychology: Students will be introduced to research about human learning and development within a variety of settings

The understanding of research methodologies

The understanding of research methodologie will provide a basic preparation for graduate study in educational, counseling, clinical, or school psychology.

Peer Assistance and Leadership: Students will integrate academic study with community service and student organizational leadership development experiences. There will be classroom learning and campus agency-based opportunities in which they learn and develop community engagement, intervention and leadership skills.

Special Education: Will provide students with a foundation in atypical human development across the life span. Students will examine educational and life opportunities for children and adults with disabilities, as well as gain knowledge about the laws created to promote equity in access, education, and work for individuals with disabilities.

Admission to the Human Development Major

Students must obtain a C or better in the following courses:

APSY 101 (Introduction to Psychology)

ASOC 115 (Introduction to Sociology)

EPSY 200 (Intro to Psychological Process of Schooling)

Students must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or greater here at UAlbany.



Educational & Counseling Psychology Faculty: Kimberly Colvin, Assistant Professor Gabriel Schlomer, Assistant Professor Erin Baker, Assistant Professor Mariola Moeyaert, Assistant Professor