HDFS 231: Infancy and Early Childhood

Growth and development from the prenatal period to age 5. Historical and current issues and research based on ecological, cross-cultural perspectives. Focus on optimal development.

Credits 3 Lecture Hours 3

Prerequisite Courses

HDFS 230

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Grade of C or better in HDFS 230.

Course Outcomes

• Discuss the major milestones of children from conception through age 5 in the main domains of physical, cognitive, and socio-emotional development.
• Discuss the major theories of child development.
• Discuss the interplay between the children and their environmental system (physical settings, family, peers, childcare, neighborhood, economics, social policy, and culture).
• Plan a study to demonstrate basic research skills.