



THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

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Developmental Studies

STREAM C: CHILD DEVELOPMENT & CHILD CARE / EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Developmental studies deals with the analysis of biological, environmental, and social factors that influence both individual and group development.

The University of Winnipeg offers the only degree-granting program in Early Childhood Education in Manitoba. Stream C is a professional program in the area of developmental studies, specifically designed for those who wish to obtain advanced early childhood education training.

This University of Winnipeg joint program is offered in cooperation with Red River College and Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface. The strength of this program is that it capitalizes on the expertise of each institution, providing a blend of academic and practical experience. You may begin this joint study program at any of the three institutions.

As an **interdisciplinary** program, Developmental Studies draws perspectives and methods from many disciplines to provide a coherent analysis of development. It allows you to customize your university education to fit your educational and career goals by taking courses from a number of different departments, including Anthropology, Biology, Business and Administration, Conflict Resolution Studies, Education, English, Kinesiology and Applied Health, Philosophy, Politics, Psychology, Sociology, and Statistics. You will find that this program is an exciting and challenging mix of theory with practice.

Under the regulations of Manitoba Family Services and Consumer Affairs, graduates of this stream are eligible for the highest level of classification—Early Childhood Educator III.

This program allows you to earn two qualifications—a **3-year Bachelor of Arts in Developmental Studies from The University of Winnipeg** and a **2-year diploma in Early Childhood Education from Red River College or the Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface**—in only four years.

SAMPLE CAREERS

Our graduates are poised to take on a leadership role in childcare in Manitoba. They may find employment in government and non-government agencies dealing with childcare services or human service-oriented professions. Positions include childcare centre personnel, supervisors, and program directors. Graduates may also find work as family and community support facilitators, child-life therapists, or staff specializing in programs for the developmentally delayed and other children with special needs.

SAMPLE COURSES

Applied Child Development is a third-year course that focuses on the application of theory and research in child development. The course primarily covers theories and research relating to developmental periods before adolescence and discusses implications of these for the practitioner, parent, and professional working both with children who are developing normally and with children who have special needs.

Speech and Language Disorders in Children is a third-year course designed to introduce students to the field of communication disorders in children. Topics include the identification of different types of communication disorders, procedures in the evaluation and treatment of these disorders, and practical experience in clinical report writing and record keeping.

REQUIRED COURSES

Requirements depend on the specialization selected.

Inclusion/Children with Special Needs Requirements:

RHET-1102(3) Academic Writing: Social Sciences or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

EDUC-2530(3) Introduction to Special Education

PSYC-3710(3) Abnormal Behaviour in Children and Adolescents

DEV-3300(3) Speech and Language Disorders in Children

DEV-3610(3) Topics in Leadership in ECCCE

DEV-3630(3) Advanced Internship

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Child Care Administration Requirements:

RHET-1102(3) Academic Writing: Social Sciences or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

BUS-1201(3) Introduction to Business I

BUS-1202(3) Introduction to Business II

BUS-2440(3) Introduction to Human Resource Management

DEV-3610(3) Topics in Leadership in ECCE

DEV-3630(3) Advanced Internship

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN LEADERSHIP IN EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION

This diploma program is a leadership development program targeted towards childcare professionals who already have experience in the childcare field. It provides a unique combination of courses from the Division of Continuing Education Professional Studies program area, as well as Developmental Studies Stream C. Contact Ashlie Wilson at 204.982.11797 or a.wilson@uwinnipeg.ca for more information on this program.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY...

"The passionate and energetic faculty in the Developmental Studies program have helped me acquire the skills, knowledge and leadership abilities that I need to excel in the field of early childhood." – *Lise Thiessen (BA '07 Developmental Studies) is the Director of Centre-Soleil Inc., a childcare centre in Winnipeg.*

STUDENT LIFE

Students of Developmental Studies are a close-knit group of people who are committed to the field. Many of our students are working in the childcare field during the day and taking evening courses part-time.

DID YOU KNOW?

- There are a variety of opportunities for students who are interested in working closely with faculty on major research projects in child care.
- The Lori Ellen Rogers Scholarship is awarded annually to students entering their third year of the Developmental Studies Program.
- An Annual Training Grant is available from Manitoba Family Services and Consumer Affairs for Early Childhood Educators (ECE) II taking courses to upgrade their credentials to the ECE III level
- If you have extensive experience in the childcare field, you may qualify to obtain credit for university-level knowledge and skills gained outside the classroom through our Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition program.

REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

You must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. No specific courses are required for Developmental Studies.

All students wishing to enter this program must first apply for admission to The University of Winnipeg, and then be selected for entry into the Child Development and Child Care program.

HOW TO APPLY – Domestic Student

Apply online at uwinnipeg.ca or pick up an Application for Admission from your high school counsellor's office or the Admissions Office at The University of Winnipeg. To meet Scholarship deadline submit your application and \$80 application fee by **March 1st**

HOW TO APPLY – International Student

Apply online at uwinnipeg.ca/index/intl-apply and submit all official documents by mail. To meet Scholarship deadline submit application, fee, and documents by **March 1st**. International application fee is \$100, which includes a one-time courier fee.

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