

Fall 1	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 103*	3	*C or better
COMS 100	3	
GE: Creativity & Critical Analysis	3	
Quantitative Literacy (Math _____)*	3	*C or better
SOCI 170*	3	*C or better
UNIV 101	1	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b>		

Spring 1	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 203*	3	*C or better
STAT 100*	3	*C or better
GE: Nature & Technology	3	
PSYC 102*	3	*C or better
Elective	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b>		

Fall 2	Credits	Success Marker
Elective	3	
HDFS 230*	3	* C or better
BIOS 103 or 109	3	
GE: Creativity & Critical Analysis	3	
HDFS 231	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> Students must earn a C or better in ENGL 203 or 204, PSYC 102, HDFS 230 or EPS 307, HDFS 280, HDFS 284; and successfully complete the NIU math core competency requirement or have a C or better in STAT 208 or MATH 110, and a cumulative NIU GPA of 2.4 after completion of 45 credit hours.		

Spring 2	Credits	Success Marker
HDFS 280*	3	*C or better
HDFS 284*	3	*C or better
Elective	3	
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ENGL 350, HSCI 350, MATH 155, 201, 210, 211, 229, PHIL 105, or PSYC 305	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> 1.		

Summer 2	Credits	Success Marker
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>0</b>	• Work on volunteer hours

Fall 3	Credits	Success Marker
Elective	3	
HDFS 330*	3	*C or better
HDFS 332	3	*C or better
Area of Study	3	Course chosen in consultation with Area of Study advisor
HDFS 432	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting		

Spring 3	Credits	Success Marker
HDFS 331*	3	*C or better
Area of Study	3	
Area of Study	3	
HDFS 384 or 488	3	
Elective: 300/400 Level or Area of Study	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting		

Summer 3	Credits	Success Marker
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>0</b>	• Work on volunteer hours

Fall 4	Credits	Success Marker
Elective 300/400 Level or Area of Study	3	Course chosen in consultation with Area of Study advisor
HDFS 482	3	
HDFS 399	3	
Elective: Major, Minor or Other	3	• Complete all 50 volunteer hours
Elective: Major, Minor or Other	3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting 2. Apply for graduation (2/1 for May or 9/1 for December)		

Spring 4	Credits	Success Marker
HDFS 490	12	
Elective: Major, Minor or Other	2-3	
<b>Total hours</b>	<b>14-15</b>	
<b>Notes/Comments:</b> Students must have a cumulative NIU GPA of 2.4 and complete the mandatory requirements listed in the NIU Catalog to complete the practicum.		

*Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam scores in math as well as the completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor each semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.*