

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.S. Social Sciences / B.A. Human Development
and Family Science Pathway
2022-2023

A.S. Social Sciences

ADVANCE Program Milestones

ADVANCE Milestone Requirements: All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#7, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a Mason Core Quantitative Reasoning course equivalent with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1 SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	General Elective
2 ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3 CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
4 Transfer Elective #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
5 MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
6 ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
7 Transfer Elective #2	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
8 MTH 245	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	General Elective
9 Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 100 Elements of Physics	BIOL 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101/103 PHYS 103	Nat Science
10 Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3	ENG 225 Reading Literature: Culture and Ideas OR ENG 245 British Literature OR ENG 246 American Literature OR ENG 255 World Literature OR ENG 258 African American Literature OR ENG 275 Women's Literature OR Any 200-Level ENG Literature course ¹	ENGH 202 or FRLN L330 (ENG 255 only)	Literature
11 Humanities/Fine Arts #2	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR Any Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
12 HIS Elective	3	HIS 101 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE OR HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE OR HIS 112 World Civilizations Post-1500 CE	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ

13	Science Course #2	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR BIO 102 General Biology II OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR ENV 122 General Environmental Science II OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 100 Elements of Physics	BIOL 103/105 BIOL 102 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 EVPP 112/113 GEOL 101/103 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103	Nat Science
14	PSY 200	3	PSY 200 Principles of Psychology	PSYC 100	Soc/Behav
15	General Education Elective	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
16	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	PSY 230 Developmental Psychology	PSYC 211	Major
17	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	SOC 200 Introduction to Sociology	SOCI 101	CHSS Soc/Behav
18	Social/Behavioral Sciences #3	3	HDFS 200 Individual and Family Development (co-enrollment course) OR GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR SOC 211 Cultural Anthropology	HDFS 200 GGS 101 ANTH 114	Major or CHSS Non-Western
19	ITE 152 or General Education Elective	3	ITE 152 Introduction to Digital and Information Literacy and Computer Applications	IT 104	Info Tech
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #4 (<i>This elective is not needed if selections for all other requirements total 60 credits or more.</i>)	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR HIS 111 World Civilizations Pre-1500 CE OR PLS 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics OR PLS 241 Introduction to International Relations OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology (<i>recommended</i>) OR SSC 115 Introduction to Global Affairs	GGS 101 HIST L387 GOVT 133 GOVT 132 PSYC L379 GLOA 101	Global or Major

A. S. SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEGREE TOTAL **60-62**

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

B.A. Human Development & Family Science

Students will select 12 credits of major electives. Elective choices follow career and professional interests. Elective courses are suggested by advisors and mentors and approved by the Academic Program Coordinator. Areas of focus include: Families and Individuals Across the Life Span, Family Advocacy, Research and Policy.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	College Requirement: Non-Western or Major Requirements	3	Any approved Non-Western Culture course ² (<i>if not completed at NOVA</i>) OR HDFS 200 Individual and Family Development (<i>if not taken through co-enrollment</i>)	CHSS Non-West or Major
22	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
23	Gen Ed: CEHD Philosophy/Religion	3	Any PHIL or RELI course	CHSS Phil/Reli
24	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 401 Family Law & Public Policy	Writing Intensive
25	Major Requirements	3	INTS 321 Parent-Child Relations	Major
26	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 300 Individual and Family Services Delivery	Major
27	Major Elective Choices	3	Approved Upper Level course from major electives ²	Major
28	Major Elective Choices	3	Approved Upper Level course from major electives ²	Major
29	Major Requirements	3	SOCI 303 Methods and Logic of Inquiry OR PSYC 301 Research Methods in Psychology OR INTS 434 Research for Social Change	Major
30	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 400 Advance Family Processes	Synthesis

31	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 498 Internship in Human Development and Family Sciences OR INTS 294 Service Learning Experience (Mason Service Corp) OR INTS 294 Service Learning Experience (Alternative Break) OR INTS 395/495 Field-Based Work OR INTS 398/498 Experiential Learning OR INTS 390/490 Internship OR PSYC 327 Psychology in the Community OR PSYC 427 Community Engage/ Social Change OR Other coursework with advisor approval	Major
32	Major Elective Choices	3	Approved Upper Level course from major electives ²	Major
33	Gen Ed: Arts	3	Approved Arts course ² (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Arts
34	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
35	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
36	Major Elective Choices	3	Approved Upper Level courses from major electives ² OR General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor) (<i>if PSY 219 is taken at NOVA</i>)	Major or General Elective
37	General Electives	3	General Elective (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
38	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 499 Advanced Internship Analysis in Human Development and Family Sciences	Major
39	General Electives	3	General Electives	General Elective
40	General Electives	1-3	General Electives (May need to be Upper Level; See: Advisor)	General Elective

B.A. HDFS DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your ADVANCE Coach to enroll.

Important Academic Information:

¹200-level ENG literature classes include: ENG 225, ENG 230, ENG 236, ENG 237, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 256, ENG 257, ENG 258, ENG 271, ENG 275, and ENG 279.

²For approved HDFS major electives and college-required courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/education-human-development/school-education/human-development-family-science-ba/>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 final, cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeated D/F grades may be eligible to receive a waiver for any lower-level Mason Core courses not already completed. To be eligible for the Mason Core waiver, students must also complete the requirements of the AA or AS degree listed on their pathway, and apply to graduate from NOVA by the deadline (see milestone #3). Students must provide the Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date and a cumulative NOVA GPA at or above 2.85.
- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.