## Youth Development

**Department of Educational Studies**

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Students must consult with their assigned advisor before they will be able to register for courses. Successful completion of the youth development program leads to a B.A. degree and a Rhode Island College Certificate in Nonprofit Studies.

Youth Development B.A.

Retention Requirements:

1. A grade of C or better in all program courses.

2. Positive recommendations from all field supervisors.

3. A current criminal background check prior to field experiences.

Course Requirements

Education Cognates

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| YDEV 300 | Introduction to Youth Development | 4 | F, Sp |
| FNED 246 | Schooling in a Democratic Society | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| YDEV 352 | Seminar in Youth Development | 3 | F |
| YDEV 353 | Field Experience in Youth Development | 1 | F |
| YDEV 412 | Advanced Issues in Youth Development | 3 | Sp |
| YDEV 413 | Internship in Youth Development | 4 | Sp |

Note: YDEV 413: This course satisfies the elective requirement in the Nonprofit Management Cognates below.

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| YDEV 301 | Community, Pedagogy, and Inclusion  -Or- | 4 | F, Sp |
| SPED 300 | Introduction to the Characteristics and Education of Children and Youth with Disabilities | 4 | F, Sp |

CHOOSE ONE

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| CEP 215 | Educational Psychology | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| MLED 230  PSYC 215 | Young Adolescent Development in the Context of Schools, Families, and Communities  Social Psychology | 4  4 | F, S, Su  F, Sp, Su |
| PSYC 230 | Human Development | 4 | F, Sp, Su |

Note: It is recommended that students also take PSYC 110 as their Social and Behavior Science General Education course requirement.

Social Work Cognates

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| SWRK 200 | Introduction to Social Work | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SWRK 324 | Diversity and Oppression I | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SWRK 325 | Diversity and Oppression II | 4 | F, Sp, Su |
| SWRK 326 | Generalist Social Work Practice | 4 | F, Sp |

Nonprofit Management Cognates

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| NPST 400 | Institute in Nonprofit Studies | 4 | Su |
| NPST 401 | Financial Management for Nonprofits | 3 | F |
| NPST 402 | Staff and Volunteer Management for Nonprofits | 3 | Sp |
| NPST 404 | Communications and Resource Development for Nonprofits | 3 | Sp |
| ELECTIVE | ONE COURSE in an aspect of nonprofit organizations or philanthropy | 3-4 |  |

YDEV 413: This course satisfies the elective requirement above.

The Nonprofit Management Cognates satisfy the requirements for the Certificate in Nonprofit Studies.

Total Credit Hours: 56-60

Additional Requirement

Choose one:

1.  Minor (18-24 credits)

Select one minor from the college offerings.  Must be approved  by program advisor.

2. Concentration of courses related to field of interest (15-20 credits)

     Select a minimum of 15 credit hours related to field of interest. Must be approved by program advisor.

Total Credit Hours: 71-84

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## YDEV - Youth Development

YDEV 300 - Introduction to Youth Development (4)

Students will explore basic dimensions of youth work, professional practice and contexts of play and learning. The course requires travel to youth development settings.

Prerequisite: At least 24 credits. A BCI (state background check) is required.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

YDEV 301 – Community, Pedagogy, and Inclusion(4)

Students will learn the fundamentals of building supportive and inclusive communities in informal youth settings. Students design and implement youth development programming in a laboratory setting.

Prerequisite: At least 24 credits, and prior or concurrent enrollment in YDEV 300. A BCI (state background check) is required.

Offered: Fall, Spring.

YDEV 352 - Seminar in Youth Development (3)

This foundational seminar in the youth development program provides a framework to integrate the multidisciplinary approaches of education, social work, and nonprofit studies. (Formerly FNED 352).

Prerequisite: FNED 346, SWRK 240, and concurrent enrollment in YDEV 353.

Offered: Fall.

YDEV 353 - Field Experience in Youth Development (1)

Students will complete 15-30 hours of fieldwork within an organization that serves children and/or youth.  Fieldwork includes observations, interviews, and a small project. (Formerly CURR 347 for YDEV students). 2 contact hours.

Prerequisite: FNED 346, SWRK 240, and concurrent enrollment in YDEV 352.

Offered: Fall.

YDEV 412 - Advanced Issues in Youth Development (3)

Students will synthesize skills, knowledge, and competencies necessary for success in youth development work.

Prerequisite: YDEV 352, YDEV 353, and concurrent enrollment in YDEV 413.

Offered: Spring.

YDEV 413 - Internship in Youth Development (4)

Students will complete a semester-long internship at an organization that serves children and/or youth. This course satisfies the Non-Profit Studies Certificate elective course requirement. (Formerly NPST 403 for YDEV students). 12 contact hours.

Prerequisite: YDEV 352, YDEV 353, and concurrent enrollment in YDEV 412.

Offered: Spring