

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-#6, 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 graduation by March 1 for spring graduation or June 1 for summer graduation. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA graduation by October 1 for winter graduation.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework in 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:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.

	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 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	CEHD 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	CEHD 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 I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
10	Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	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	CEHD For. Lang or General Elective
12	HIS Elective	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	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 I 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 101 Introduction to Physics I OR PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 103/105 BIOL 102 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 EVPP 112/113 GEOL 101 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103 PHYS 104	Nat Science
14	PSY 200 or SOC 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	CEHD 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 Principles of Sociology	SOCI 101	CEHD Soc/Behav
18	Social/Behavioral Sciences #3	3	HDFS 200 Individual and Family Development (co-enrollment course) OR GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR HIS 253 History of Asian Civilizations I OR SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	HDFS 200 GGS 101 HIST 251 ANTH 114	Major or CEHD Non-Western
19	ITE 115 or ITE 119 or General Education Elective	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts OR ITE 119 Information Literacy	IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #4 (This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach)	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR HIS 111 History of World Civilization I OR PLS 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics OR PLS 241 International Relations I OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology OR SSC 115 Introduction to Global Affairs	GGS 101 HIST L387 GOVT 133 GOVT 132 PSYC L379 GLOA 101	Global or Major

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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	0-3	Any approved Non-Western Culture course [±] (<i>if not completed at NOVA</i>)	CEHD Non-West
22	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
23	Major Requirements	0-3	HDFS 200 Individual and Family Development (<i>if not taken through co-enrollment</i>)	Major
24	Gen Ed: CEHD Philosophy/Religion	3	Any PHIL or RELI course	CEHD Phil/Reli
25	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 250 Family Financial Literacy & Resource Management	Major
26	Major Requirements	3	INTS 321 Parent-Child Relations	Major
27	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 300 Individual and Family Services Delivery	Major
28	Concentration Courses	3	Approved courses from chosen major electives ²	Major
29	Concentration Courses	3	Approved courses from chosen major electives ²	Major
30	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 401 Family Law and Public Policy	Writing Intensive
31	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

32	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 400 Advance Family Processes	Synthesis
33	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 498 Internship in Human Development and Family Sciences	Major
34	Concentration Courses	3	Approved courses from chosen major electives ²	Major
35	Gen Ed: Arts	3	Approved Arts course ¹ (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Arts
36	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
37	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
38	Concentration Courses	3	Approved courses from chosen major electives ²	Major
39	Concentration Courses	3	General Elective (Upper-level See: Advisor)	General Elective
40	Major Requirements	3	HDFS 499 Advanced Internship Analysis in Human Development and Family Sciences	Major
41	General Electives	1-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
B.A. HDFS DEGREE TOTAL		120		

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

Important Academic Information:

¹For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

²For approved HDFS major electives, 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 cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeatd 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 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 meet these criteria by the time of matriculation to Mason and provide the Office of Admissions a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.
- 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.