

Human Development & Family Studies

Minor & Certifications

Resume builders for students & alumni

Nonprofit Studies Minor

Certification options for program alumni include:

Child and Youth Worker

Through the Child and Youth Certification Board

Family Life Educator Credential

Through the National Council on Family Relations

Internship/Practicum Sites

Students complete a required professional experience

Popular sites include

- Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank
- Boys & Girls Clubs of the Western Reserve
- Crossroads Hospice
- First Steps: Parenting Advocacy Center
- Habitat For Humanity
- Laurel Lake Retirement Community
- The Centers for Families and Children
- The International Institute of Akron
- YMCA Bethany Enrichment Center

Study in Ireland

... and experience an adventure of a lifetime!

Students travel throughout Ireland:

- Conducting cross-cultural comparisons of Irish and US families
- Studying the influence of Ireland's history, customs, and contemporary issues on the family
- Visiting well-known Irish tourist destinations

Scholarship Opportunities

List of all-EHHS scholarships: www.kent.edu/ehhs/scholarships

HDFS Student Scholarships!

\$2,000 dollars in scholarships specifically available to HDFS students

- Alicia and John Pieper Endowed Scholarship (\$500)
- Dorothy Fruit Gerontology Scholarship (\$500)
- Dorothy and James Fruit HDFS Scholarship (\$500)
- Mary E. Keller Scholarship for HDFS (\$500)

Student Satisfaction

Kelly Ritter

Alumna '12

"My HDFS courses helped me find who I wanted to be, who I wanted to help, and reassured me that I wanted to make a difference in the world. I am currently employed in a nursing home in Maryland as an assistant activities coordinator."

2015-2016 EHHS Graduate Student Survey Results | N=53

98%

Agreed or Strongly Agreed with the statement:

My program helped me to effectively translate theory into practice.

94%

Agreed or Strongly Agreed with the statement:

My program provided me with a sufficient quantity of internship/field/clinical experience necessary to become a professional in my field.

Fall '16 Enrollment

Source: Kent State's IR Office

500

HDFS Majors



The program has seen over **100%** growth in enrollment in the last 5 years!



Employment of Our Graduates

Our graduates are employed in a variety of positions and settings, including:

- Director of Family Engagement, Portage Learning Centers, Head Start & Early Head Start Programs
- Community Manager, Relay for Life American Cancer Society
- Senior Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor, Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Education Coordinator, Alzheimer's Association
- Campaign Associate, United Way of Greater Cleveland
- Graduate Study: Alumni are earning graduate degrees in a variety of areas, including:
 - Clinical Mental Health Counseling,
 - Social Work,
 - Early Childhood Education,
 - School Counseling,
 - Rehabilitation Counseling,
 - and many more...

For more information on the Human Development and Family Studies program...

visit our website: www.kent.edu/ehhs/ldes/hdfs

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