HUMAN ECOLOGY, DOCTORAL MINOR

Any student enrolled in a UW–Madison doctoral program can pursue a doctoral minor in Human Ecology. The graduate program within the School of Human Ecology (SoHE) provides rich interdisciplinary training and scholarship focused on exploring the human condition and well-being in relation to ecological settings—physical, social, community, and built surroundings. The school’s philosophy is that individual development and well-being are promoted through interactions with ecological settings. Research, creativity, teaching, and outreach are directed toward a positive impact on these settings and the patterns of human behavior within them. Faculty members possess expertise in areas as diverse as longitudinal modeling, community-based research, interpretive interviewing, program evaluation, observational methods, survey methodology, action research, and ethnography.

ADMISSIONS

Graduate students interested in pursuing an Option A doctoral minor should complete the Minor Agreement Form (https://sohe.wisc.edu/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Human-Ecology-Minor-Agreement-Form.docx) and consult with the graduate program coordinator in Human Ecology who will help them identify a SoHE faculty member to serve as their faculty advisor.

REQUIREMENTS

The Human Ecology Doctoral Minor requires at least 9 credits taken through a combination of coursework in at least two different School of Human Ecology departments: Civil Society and Community Studies (CSCS) (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/cscs); Consumer Science (CNSR SCI) (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/cnsr_sci), Design Studies (DS) (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/ds), Human Development and Family Studies (HDFS) (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/hdfs), and Interdisciplinary—Human Ecology (INTER-HE) (http://guide.wisc.edu/courses/inter_he). No more than 3 credits can be taken below the 700 level. Human Ecology courses that are cross-listed with another department should be enrolled in through the respective Human Ecology department. Students must receive a grade of B or better in each course.

PEOPLE

Faculty:

CIVIL SOCIETY AND COMMUNITY STUDIES

Professors: Cynthia Jasper (chair), Constance Flanagan

Associate Professors: Lori Bakken, Brian Christens

Assistant Professors: Kendra Alexander, Jennifer Gaddis, Leah Horowitz, Carolina Sarmiento, Shannon Sparks

CONSUMER SCIENCE (CONSUMER BEHAVIOR & FAMILY ECONOMICS)

Professors: Nancy Wong (chair), Judith Bartfeld

Associate Professors: J. Michael Collins, Clifford Robb

Assistant Professors: Feneba Addo, Lydia Ashton, Dee Warmath

DESIGN STUDIES

Professors: Roberto Rengel (chair), Jennifer Angus, Wei Dong, Majid Sarmadi, Mark Nelson

Associate Professors: Mary Hark, Carolyn Kallenborn, Jung-hye Shin

Assistant Professors: Marianne Fairbanks, Marina Moskowitz, Kevin Ponto, Kristin Thorleifsdottir

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

Professors: Janean Dilworth-Bart (chair), Charles Raison, Julie Poehlmann-Tynan, Linda Roberts, Stephen Small

Associate Professors: Larissa Duncan, Sarah Halpern-Meekin, Sigan Hartley, Heather Kirkorian, Robert Nix, Lauren Papp

Assistant Professors: Kristin Litzelman, Margaret Kerr