

HDFS-101 : Individuals & Families in Societal Contexts

An introduction to the history of Family Sciences with consideration of family strengths and weaknesses and internal dynamics of families. Students will engage in critical examination of families and individuals in societal contexts and issues related to families, work, and their interrelationships. Using family science theories, students will consider the contextual factors that influence the family. Emphasis placed upon the reciprocal impacts of relationships within the family and a person's relationships to individuals and society. This course focuses on family as a basic social institution, the various theoretical perspectives on the family, and provides an overview of current social scientific research on the family. The history, structure, and functions of the family will be addressed as will topics such as dating, cohabitation, marriage, parenting, family violence, and divorce. FILA general education: social sciences.

Credits 3

Term Offered

Fall Only

Session Cycle

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