

Education and Society

Department Website: <https://voices.uchicago.edu/coed/about-minor/>

Minor in Education and Society

Courses in the Education and Society minor explore how people learn and teach as well as the complex relationships between education and the communities and societies it is situated within. Courses are theory-driven yet also provide important insights into the social contexts of education, strategies for strengthening educational practice, and levers for reducing inequality. The minor spans a diverse set of course listings because education as a discipline spans the life course and happens in many contexts: in the schoolhouse, the family, communities, workplaces, and political arenas. Psychological, social, economic, political, and cultural factors influence educational trajectories and outcomes ranging from individual health and income to forms of social inequality and trajectories of economic development. The interactions among educational organizations and other institutions shape the possibilities for innovation and intentional reform. To understand the intersection of educational institutions and the broader societies, these courses cross boundaries among theory, research, policy, and practice. This minor is focused on education topics from a theoretical and methodological perspective. College students in any field of study may complete a minor in Education and Society. The flexibility of this course of study complements majors in any of the disciplines.

Program Requirements

Students pursuing the Education and Society minor are required to enroll in CHDV 20100 Human Development Research Design. This is predicated on the belief that the theoretical study of education should be rooted in a broad understanding of methods, and that the course of study lends itself to the use of both qualitative and quantitative methods. Students must also complete four approved electives that consider psychological, social, economic, political, or cultural factors in education. The four approved courses may be taken from the list of courses outlined by the faculty co-administrators annually. Students may also petition for other courses not on the list to be counted toward the minor with the faculty co-administrators.

The Education and Society minor requires a total of five courses, including:

1. CHDV 20100 Human Development Research Design (Students majoring in Comparative Human Development must complete an alternative methods course, as described below.)
2. Four approved courses designated as counting toward the Education and Society minor.

Summary of Requirements

CHDV 20100	Human Development Research Design *	100
Four approved electives		400
Total Units		500

* CHDV majors must complete an alternative course. Please see below.

Alternative Methods Courses for CHDV Majors

The following methods courses are approved alternatives for Comparative Human Development majors. Additional methods courses may also be approved by consent from the faculty co-administrators.

ANTH 21420	Ethnographic Methods	100
CHDV 26228	Ethnographic Methods	100
ECON 21010	Statistical Methods in Economics	100
PBPL 26400	Quantitative Methods in Public Policy	100
PSYC 20200	Psychological Research Methods	100
SOCI 20001	Sociological Methods	100

Approved Elective Courses

CHDV 20100	Human Development Research Design	100
CHDV 20150	Language and Communication	100
CHDV 20207	Race, Ethnicity, and Human Development	100
CHDV 20209	Adolescent Development	100
CHDV 20305	Inequality in Urban Spaces	100
CHDV 23305	Critical Studies of Mental Health in Higher Education	100
CHDV 25120	Child Development and Public Policy	100
CHDV 32411	Mediation, Moderation, and Spillover Effects	100
CHDV 44220	Schools as a Social Context	100
ECON 26700	Economics of Education	100

EDSO 23001	Critical Issues in Urban Education: Approaches to K-12 Teaching and Learning	100
EDSO 23002	Schooling and Identity	100
EDSO 23003	The Urban High School: History, Policy and Reform	100
EDSO 23004	Ethnography of Children and Childhood	100
HIPS 23000	The Organization of Knowledge	100
PBPL 25405	Child Poverty and Chicago Schools	100
PBPL 25860	Crime, Justice, and Inequality in the American City	100
PBPL 27809	Violence in the Early Years	100
PBPL 27821	Urban Schools and Communities	100
PBPL 27919	Research in School Improvement	100
PBPL 28350	Education and Development: Policy and Research	100
PBPL 29120	Poverty Law and Policy Reform	100
PLSC 22819	Philosophy of Education	100
PSYC 20100	Psychological Statistics	100
PSYC 20250	Introduction to Statistical Concepts and Methods	100
PSYC 20400	Cognitive Psychology	100
PSYC 20500	Developmental Psychology	100
PSYC 22580	Child Development in the Classroom	100
PSYC 23200	Introduction to Language Development	100
PSYC 23800	Introduction to Learning and Memory	100
SOCI 20112	Applications of Hierarchical Linear Models	100
SOCI 20192	The Effects of Schooling	100
SSAD 21000	Race & American Public Schools	100
SSAD 63412	Cultural Studies in Education	100

Approved, eligible courses for the Education and Society minor will be listed each year on the Education and Society minor website (<https://voices.uchicago.edu/coed/about-minor>).

Advising and Grading

Students who elect the minor program in Education and Society must meet with the program director before the end of Spring Quarter of their third year to declare their intention to complete the minor. The director's approval for the minor program should be submitted to a student's College adviser by the Spring Quarter of a student's third year.

Courses in the minor may not be double counted with the student's major(s), other minors, or general education requirements. Courses in the minor must be taken for quality grades, and more than half of the requirements for the minor must be met by registering for courses bearing University of Chicago course numbers.



Font Notice

This document should contain certain fonts with restrictive licenses. For this draft, substitutions were made using less legally restrictive fonts. Specifically:

Times was used instead of Trajan.

Times was used instead of Palatino.

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