Required Courses Credit Hours
PSYC 304. Death and Dying: Thanatology 1,5 3
PSYC 385. Developmental Psychology 1,7 3
PSYC 470. Psychology of the Young Adult 1 3
PSYC 475. Psychology of Adulthood 1 3
SDWK 387. Working with Teenagers 3

Capstone 1
FAM 400. Family Issues and Applications 1 3

Additional family studies course 1
(choose additional course from B, C, D or one of the following):
FAM 375. Grant Writing for Agencies 3
FAM 386. Youth Empowerment Strategies 3
FAM 407. Special Topics in Family Issues 3
FAM 400. Special Studies in Family Issues 3
FAM Elective 3

Film Studies
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The minor in film studies is designed for students who wish to extend their critical understanding of visual communication and narrative form by studying how movies tell stories, convey information and influence audiences. Because the program is cross disciplinary, it examines films as both art and entertainment, bringing together the literary traditions of English and the communication perspectives of media arts and design. Together, the aim is to explore cinema’s pictorial “language,” investigate its commercial consequences and evaluate its impact across cultures as a medium for enacting the human story.

Six credit hours may be double-counted between the minor and major. Information is available from the film studies adviser of the School of Media Arts and Design or the Department of English.

Required Courses Credit Hours
ENG 358. An Introduction to Film to 1960 3
SMAD 460. Movies and Society 3
Select no fewer than four courses from the following: 12
ENG 302. Special Topics (when topic is film) 3
ENG 382. An Introduction to Film Since 1960 3
ENG 383. Major Film Genres 3
ENG 384. Major Film Directors 3
ENG 412. Special Topic Seminars (when topic is film) 3
SMAD 371. Narrative Media Studies 3
SMAD 461. Movies as Art 3
SMAD 462. Documentary in Film and Television 3
SMAD 463. Film Adaptations 3
SMAD 498. Senior Seminar (when topic is film) 3

Gerontology
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The cross disciplinary minor in gerontology is designed for any undergraduate major desiring a concentration of study in gerontology for personal understanding or career preparation.

Required Courses Credit Hours
GERN/SDOC 280. Social Gerontology 3
GERN 305. Programs and Services for the Elderly 1 3

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GERN 400. Skills and Techniques 1 3
GERN 495. Field Experience/Seminar 1 3
Major elective (a course supporting the student’s major or related 3
field of study with 50 percent of the course content in gerontology) 3
Elective (must be a course in which the content is at least 18
50 percent in gerontology) 1

1 Course has one or more prerequisites.
2 May not also take PSYC 364 in the minor.
3 May not also take SOWK 340 in the minor.
4 May not also take PSYC 460 in the minor.
5 May not also take SOCI 303 in the minor.
6 May not also take PSYC 386 in the minor.
7 May not also take FAM 300 in the minor.

Historical Archaeology
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The minor is designed for students interested in the sub-field of historical archaeology, a discipline that integrates the research interests and methods of archaeology and history. The minor is designed to complement existing majors in anthropology and history, and it may also be of interest to students in art history and public administration. While guided by the theoretical underpinnings of history and anthropology, the minor in historical archaeology is field- and research-oriented. Students enrolling in the program should anticipate courses that require significant effort outside of the classroom.

Two courses (six credits) may be double-counted between the minor and the student’s major.

Required Courses Credit Hours
ANTH/HIST 331. Historical Archaeology 3
ANTH 494. Field Techniques in Archaeology 4
HIST/ARTH 396. Introduction to Public History 3
Capstone research course 3

Choose three of the following: 9
ANTH/HIST 498. Research Thesis 9

Of these, one course must be chosen from the history/archaeology options and one must be from the geology or geography options. 2
ANTH 410. Spatial Analysis for Anthropologists 3
ANTH 455. Archaeology: Methods of Analysis and Interpretation 3
HIST/ARTH 394. Introduction to Museum Work 3
HIST/ANTH/ARTH 492. American Material Culture 3
HIST/ARTH 493. Historic Preservation 3
GEOG 340. Environmental Soil Science 3
GEOG 442. Field Geophysics 3
GEOG 368. Introduction to Geographic Information Science 22

1 The personalized capstone course can take place over one or two semesters and will require the student to work closely with a faculty adviser. The project will require the student to define a research topic, establish a theoretical and methodological base for the project, gather data, interpret the results and prepare an appropriate statement of findings.
2 Access to geology and geography courses is competitive and will require some computer experience.

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The cross disciplinary humanitarian affairs minor provides students with a global perspective on the major humanitarian crises facing the human community today. Students will investigate the impacts of natural disasters, disease, hunger and famine, poverty, conflict, and national and international policies on the welfare of human communities around the world.

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