FAMR 230 – Human Development
CRN 60239 – 3 Credits
Tuesdays/Thursdays, 1:30-2:45 pm
Alakai’I, 129

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College is committed to excellence in the liberal arts and career
development; we support and challenge individuals to develop skills, fulfill their potential, enrich
their lives, and become contributing, culturally aware members of our community.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

This course provides students with theories of biological, cognitive, and psycho-social
developments from infancy to adulthood and with similarities and differences among
individuals and their cultures.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other Than Class Times

Part of your work in this course will be to study a young adult, a middle-aged person, or an
elderly person closely and compare the results of your study to the textbook. This will be
accomplished within a group and the results will be presented to the class.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student learning outcomes for the course are:

1. Recognize the study of psychology as a science

2. Discuss the biological and environmental basis of human behavior.

3. Integrate the basic perspectives, concepts, principles, and general information comprising
   the field of developmental psychology.

4. Utilize the various developmental models and concepts in explaining human behaviors.
## COURSE CONTENT

### Concepts or Topics

- Describe the developing person at different periods in the life span
- Know the causes of developmental change and the reasons for possible disturbances in the process
- Know the different theoretical perspectives

### Skills or Competencies

1. Know the factors influencing the psychobiological, cognitive, and psychosocial aspects of the growing child.
2. Examine the sources of change and why some children change and others do not.
3. Be able to apply different theories and approaches to developmental change.

## COURSE TASKS

There will be five mini-exams, each worth 50 points.
There will be a class/group project, based on a case study, worth 100 points.
There will be an in-depth project, based on your own childhood, worth 150 points.
There will be extra points awarded for attendance, exceptional participation, and essays assigned in class based on Dr. Carlson’s discretion.

Because your progress will be monitored throughout the semester, THERE IS NO FINAL EXAM!

## ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

Total points available are 500. 450 points = A; 400 = B, 350 = C, 300 = D, below 300 = F.

## LEARNING RESOURCES

The required textbook is
THE DEVELOPING PERSON THROUGH THE LIFESPAN
By KATHLEEN STASSEN BERGER
WORTH PUBLISHERS, 2008

## Additional Information

1. Students are expected to attend each class. Excessive unexcused absences (more than three) may result in the reduction of one full grade.
2. In order to actively participate in the class discussion, students are expected to keep up with the readings and are expected to participate actively in class.
DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale ‘Akoakoa 213 for more information.

PLEASE NOTE: While we live in the age of technology, there is a time and a place for such activities. The classroom is NOT the place for mobile phones. They are disruptive to both me and to your fellow classmates; therefore, please place your phones on silence, vibrate, or simply just shut them off. If you are expecting an urgent call, when the phone vibrates, please quietly excuse yourself from class to take your call. Any phones that ring during this classroom time will become my property until the end of the semester (this includes sim cards)!

While texting has become one of the easiest and fastest ways to keep in contact with others, it has been also used to communicate answers and information that is not permitted. Therefore, mobile phones will NOT be permitted on your desks. Please place them in your pocket or your backpack. Any phones that are used during this classroom time ....

Lastly, I uphold the University of Hawaii’s non-discrimination policy in my classes. Any discriminatory acts or language on the basis of race, religion, age, sex, ancestry, national origin, disabilities, or sexual orientation will NOT be tolerated.

SCHEDULE OF TOPICS AND EXAMS

Please note that this schedule is subject to change. It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of any changes that are made.

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Final Exam Dates: Thursday, December 16, 1:30 – 3:20 pm.