SENATE POLICY 12-03

Motion: to approve the Minor in Developmental Psychology

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APPROVALS:

Louise Lutze-Mann
Chair, Academic Senate

Date 3-24-03

Richard Rush
President, CSU Channel Islands

Date 4-9-03
PROPOSAL TO OFFER A MINOR IN FALL 2003

**Proposed Name of Minor:** Developmental Psychology (Child & Adolescent Emphasis)

**Faculty Proposing Minor:** Harley Baker, Beatrice de Oca, Kevin Volkan

### 1. Catalog Description:

**MINOR in DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY (Child & Adolescent Emphasis) (18 Units)**

The minor in developmental psychology gives students concentrated exposure to the methods and theories related to how children and adolescents develop. Cognitive, emotional, and social perspectives will be covered as well as methods for psychological assessment. The minor in developmental psychology is appropriate for students interested in understanding how human developmental perspectives can influence their major field of study.

### 2. Justification for Proposed Minor (<100 words):

The minor in developmental psychology provides an excellent introduction to the tools, methods and theories relevant to the field. Exposure to these characteristics of developmental psychology will enhance a student's ability to perform in many careers, including profit and non-profit sectors. The developmental psychology minor also provides background which may be helpful for entry into masters, doctoral, and professional graduate programs in education as well as the social and behavioral sciences.

### 3. Total Number of Units in the Minor (including pre-/co-requisites):

18 units

### 4. Lower-Division Requirements (including pre-/co-requisites):

6 Units

1. Each of the following courses:

   PSY210 Learning, Cognition & Development (3), OR PSY 211 Cognition & Learning (3)

   **PSY 213 Developmental Psychology (3)**
5. Upper-Division Requirements (including pre-/ co-requisites): \(^{1,2}\)

12 Units

1. One course from the following list (3 units):
   - PSY310 History & Systems in Psychology (3)
   - PSY 312 Social Psychology (3)
   - PSY 313 Clinical and Abnormal Psychology (3)
   - PSY 314 Behavioral Neuroscience (3)

2. Three (3) of the following courses (9 units):
   - PSY333 Measurement and Testing of Groups and Individuals (3)
   - PSY345 Individuals with Disabilities and Society (3)
   - PSY415 Assessment of Children (3)
   - PSY445 Adolescent Development (3)
   - PSY461 Advanced Topics in Child and Adolescent Development(3)

6. Additional Facilities needed to offer the Minor:
   None

Notes:
All courses required for the minor must be listed. For example, the Chemistry minor requires 20 units of Chemistry courses, but several of the courses have the requirement of two semesters of Calculus (Calculus I and II). The lower-division requirements for the Chemistry minor must include these additional math courses.
The Academic Senate at CSUCI has approved that all minors must have a minimum of 15 units, 9 of which must be upper-division.