



Child Life and Community Health –



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CHILD DEVELOPMENT COURSES OFFERED AT UFV

The courses listed below would meet the child development course requirement. To inquire for one of these courses email cyfsinfo@ufv.ca for instructions

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*All courses must be completed before students can proceed to internship

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM OF A BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Applicants must complete an undergraduate degree (Child and Youth Care, Education, Psychology, Social Work, or other allied degree) from a recognized post-secondary institution with a minimum GPA of 3.00 (B average).

PRIOR COURSEWORK

Applicants must have either graduated from an Accredited degree program or have successfully completed specific prerequisite courses (listed below) as outlined on the ACLP website (childlife.org) as part of their previous degree. Prerequisite academic courses include:

- Minimum of two Child Development courses
- Family Systems course
- Research course
- Three additional content-related courses (Ethics, Anatomy and Physiology, Medical Terminology, Counselling, Psychology, Therapeutic Recreation, Human Development, Family Studies, Sociology, Social Work, Early Childhood Education, Nursing)

If students have taken a play, grief, and loss or child life courses. It is possible to take any one course into the graduate certificate from their undergraduate level courses.

EXPERIENCE

Experience working with children or youth (paid work or practicum) must be a minimum of 600 hours. Students must have completed at least 100 volunteer hours with children or youth in a hospital or health care setting.

- We do not have a listing of available volunteer opportunities.
- It is desired that students have volunteered under the supervision of a Child Life Specialist in a pediatric hospital. The application process for internship is highly competitive and this will strengthen the experience when it comes time to apply for internship

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Students must submit a letter of a maximum of two pages providing their education and career goals as they relate to their application to the program. The letter should address what led the student to apply and how their background has prepared them for this program.

Can be addressed to:



Dr. Christine Slavik
Associate Professor
UFV Child, Youth, and Family Studies department



- Cumulative GPA from the undergraduate degree being transferred in
- 2. Work experience (up to 20 points)
- 3. Volunteer experience (up to 15 points)
- 4. Letters of reference (up to 15 points)
- 5. Letter of intent (up to 10 points)

APPLYING

APPLICATION PERIOD

Visit <https://ufv.ca/admissions/programs/acceptingapplications/>