



# North Polk Community Schools Pacing & Course Description Guide



Grade Level: 11-12

Content: DMACC Developmental Psychology

Year: 2021022

## Course Description/Rationale

The study of factors that affect human development from conception to death, with emphasis on topics such as physical, cognitive and social changes, methods of study and current issues. Students will receive 3 DMACC credits for PSY 121. (1 HS credit)

Name of Unit	Time Frame	Essential Learning Target	Standard(s)
Unit 1 Chapters 1-4	4-5 weeks	<p>Students will understand how physical, cognitive, and socioemotional processes affect development throughout the lifespan.</p> <p>Students will learn and apply concepts relating to prenatal development and development in infancy.</p>	<p>DMACC competencies can be found here:</p> <p><a href="https://catalog.dmacc.edu/content.php?catoid=21&amp;catoid=21&amp;navoid=2019&amp;filter%5Bitem_type%5D=3&amp;filter%5Bonly_active%5D=1&amp;filter%5B3%5D=1&amp;filter%5Bpage%5D=15#catalog_template_course_filter">https://catalog.dmacc.edu/content.php?catoid=21&amp;catoid=21&amp;navoid=2019&amp;filter%5Bitem_type%5D=3&amp;filter%5Bonly_active%5D=1&amp;filter%5B3%5D=1&amp;filter%5Bpage%5D=15#catalog_template_course_filter</a></p>
Unit 2 Chapters 5-8	4 weeks	<p>Students will understand how physical, cognitive, and socioemotional processes affect development throughout the lifespan.</p> <p>Students will use peer-reviewed research to write a scholarly paper using APA style.</p> <p>Students will learn and apply concepts to child development.</p>	DMACC competencies

<p>Unit 3 Chapters 9-12</p>	<p>4 weeks</p>	<p>Students will understand how physical, cognitive, and socioemotional processes affect development throughout the lifespan.</p> <p>Students will learn and apply concepts to adolescent development with a focus on relating these concepts to their own lives.</p>	<p>DMACC competencies</p>
<p>Unit 4 Chapters 13-16</p>	<p>4-5 weeks</p>	<p>Students will understand how physical, cognitive, and socioemotional processes affect development throughout the lifespan.</p> <p>Students will use peer-reviewed research to write a scholarly paper using APA style.</p> <p>Students will learn and apply concepts of adult development.</p> <p>Students will learn and apply the stages of grief.</p>	<p>DMACC competencies</p>