

FAMILY STUDIES DEPARTMENT  
FACULTY OF HOME ECONOMICS  
UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

FAMILY 241 FAMILY DEVELOPMENT  
FALL, 1984

FAM 241 Family Development \*3 (First Term, 3-0-0)  
Introduction to the study of the family using the  
family developmental framework. Note: Open only to  
Home Economics students. Not open to students who  
have taken SOC 371.

Class Meeting: T - Th 11:00 - 12:20 G.S. 859  
Instructor: Dr. D. K. Kieren  
Room: 809 General Services Building  
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Final Exam - Tuesday, December 18 - 11:00 a.m.

OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course students should be able to:

- a) Identify and use key reference books in the family area.
- b) Utilize library resources effectively.
- c) Describe the basic aims and processes involved in the scientific study of families.
- d) Describe the basic concepts and assumptions of the family developmental framework.
- e) Discuss relevant issues for Canadian families at every stage of the family life cycle.
- f) Demonstrate a basic understanding of key family developmental issues in written or oral presentation.
- g) Analyze a given family utilizing the family developmental framework.
- h) Contrast the Canadian and American family using demographic variables.
- i) Describe the nature of the family studies program and several career possibilities.

REQUIRED BOOKS

Aldous, J. (1978). Family careers: Developmental change in families. New York: Wiley.

Baker, M. (Ed.) (1984). The family: Changing trends in Canada. Toronto: McGraw-Hill.

Class Notes FAM 241/1984 - Packet.

BOOKS ON RESERVE IN UNDERGRAD RESERVE ROOM

Aldous, J. (1978). Family careers: Developmental change in families. New York: Wiley.

Duvall, E. (1977). Marriage and family development. (5th ed.). Philadelphia: Lippincott.

Rodgers, R. (1973). Family interaction and transaction: The developmental framework. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice-Hall.

A historical profile of the Alberta family. (1981). Edmonton: Alberta Bureau of Statistics (Govt. Document on reserve in 3rd floor Cameron)

Eichler, M. (1983). Families in Canada today. Toronto: Gage.

Olson, D. & McCubbin, H. et. al. (1983). Families: What makes them work. Beverly Hills: Sage.

DATE	TOPIC	READING OR ASSIGNMENT
T Sept. 11	Course Overview Introductions State of the Family Report-1984	<u>Optional</u> : Eichler-Chapt. 1 Class Notes: Packet, pp. 20-23
Th Sept. 13	The Canadian Family Trends over Time	Baker - Chapter 2 - Chapter 4 <u>Optional</u> : History of Alberta Family
T Sept. 18	Family Study - scientific vs common sense - disciplinary emphasis - applications	Baker - Chapter 1, pp. 1-20 Answer Chapter Questions
Th Sept. 20	Conceptual Approaches for Family Study - what are they - how are they used	Review Baker - p. 10-13 Aldous - Introduction Chapter 1 Discuss Library Assignment Home Economics: New Directions Notes p. 35-37
T Sept. 25	The Developmental Framework: the Family as a Social System	Aldous - Chapter 2 Class Notes: pp. 25-33
Th Sept. 27	:Family Roles	Aldous - Chapter 3 Olson - Chapter 1 Class Notes: pp. 29-30
T Oct. 2	:Family Life Cycle	Aldous - Chapter 4 Olson - Chapter 2 Class Notes: pp. 24, 27-28
Th Oct. 4	:Developmental Task Concepts Film: Development of the Child	Aldous - Chapter 5 Olson - pp. 114-134 Class Notes: pp. 31, 44-54
T Oct. 9	:Review & Application of the Conceptual Framework	Discuss Essay Assignment Class Problems: Class Notes pp. 39-54

DATE	TOPIC	READING OR ASSIGNMENT
Th Oct. 11	The Newly Established Couple: The Stage	Aldous - Chapter 6 *Opt: Duvall - Chapter 9 *Olson: pp. 207-208
T Oct. 16	Developmental Issues: Newly Established Couple Film: Make Believe Marriage	Baker - Chapter 10 Eichler - Chapter 5
Th Oct. 18	Mid Term Exam	
T Oct. 23	Developmental Issues: The Childbearing Stage	Aldous - Chapter 12 Optional - Eichler-Chapt 8 Olson - pp. 208-209
Th Oct. 25	Childbearing Stage	Aldous - Chapter 7 Aldous - Chapter 11 Aldous - pp. 305-307 Optional: Duvall 10 & 11 Outline due for Review
T Oct. 30	Families with School Children: The Stage	Aldous - pp. 307-311 Optional - Duvall - Chapt 12
Th Nov. 1	Developmental Issues: Families with School Age Children Film: Children of Our Time	Aldous - Chapter 8 Baker - Chapter 5
T Nov. 6	Families with Secondary School Age Children - The Stage	Aldous - Chapter 13 Optional - Duvall - Chapt 13
Th Nov. 8	Developmental Issues: Families with Secondary School Age Children Film: Dear Diary	Aldous - pp. 311-313 Baker - Chapter 3 Olson - pp. 210-212; pp. 219-231
T Nov. 13	Families with Young Adults: The Stage	Re-read pp. 257-260 *Optional - Duvall-Chapt 14

DATE	TOPIC	READING OR ASSIGNMENT
Th Nov. 15	Developmental Issues: Families with Young Adults Film: Conspiracy of Silence	Aldous - Chapter 15 Baker - Chapter 6
T Nov. 20	Families in Middle Years: The Stage	Aldous - Chapter 9 Review Aldous - pp. 172-177 187-193 Optional - Duvall - Chapt 15
Th Nov. 22	Developmental Issues: Families in Middle Years Film: Letting Go	Baker - Chapter 8 Aldous - Chapter 14
T Nov. 27	Aging Stage	Aldous - Chapter 10 Aldous - pp. 313-319 Optional - Duvall 16 & 17
Th Nov. 29	Developmental Issues: The Aging Stage Film or Speakers	Review Aldous - pp. 186-194 Baker - Chapter 7 Olson - pp. 34, 127-130, 212
T Dec. 4	Evaluating the Framework	Baker - Chapter 9
Th Dec. 6	The Family - The Future	Aldous - Chapter 17 Baker - Chapter 11
FINAL EXAM 11 A.M., TUES., DECEMBER 18, 1984		

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ASSIGNMENT	DATE DUE	WEIGHT
Laboratory Assignment	By mid-term	Examined at mid-term
Mid-term	October 16	30%
Essay	November 13	40%
Final Exam	December 18	30%

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