

# North Central Kansas Technical College

## Human Growth & Development - Course Syllabus

### Course Information

Course Number: SS 105  
Course title: Human Growth & Development  
Semester Credits: 3  
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### Course Description

This course explores the biological, physical, cognitive, and social development of individuals from conception to death. This course will provide general knowledge of the overall process of human development and the changes that occur during the human life span from the pre-natal stage through death and dying.

### Text

Berger, K., (2008). *The Developing Person Through the Life Span*. (7<sup>th</sup> Ed.). New York: Worth Publishers.

### Course Objectives

1. Explain foundational concepts/terminology appropriate to developmental life span.
2. Differentiate between differing developmental theories and research methods.
3. Describe social and emotional development throughout the lifespan.
4. Summarize cognitive development throughout the life span.

5. Examine physical development throughout the life span.
6. Identify special areas of development and their potential impact on human growth and development.
7. Analyze the processes of death and dying.

### **Grading:**

<b>Course Components</b>	<b>Points</b>
Exams (8 exams worth 50 points each)	400
Assignment	20
Chapter Questions (15 worth 20 points each)	300
Portfolio Assignments (8 worth 10 points each)	80
Discussion (15 worth 5 points each)	75
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>875</b>

Final grades will be determined by a percentage of total points possible.

- A = 90 - 100%
- B = 80 - 89%
- C = 70 - 79%
- D = 60 - 69%
- F = 59% or less

### **Late Work**

Late work is NOT accepted. Weekly assignments are due on Sunday nights by 11:55 p.m. Weekly chapter questions, assignments and exams will not be accessible after the deadline. Discussions will remain active during the course but, credit will not be awarded for later submissions.

### **Services for Students with Disabilities**

Students with either a permanent or temporary disability, who require accommodations for more than one week should request services by contacting the Student Services office. Students requesting accommodations must present written documentation from a certified professional, which should include a statement identifying the disability as well as recommendations for accommodations. Contact at least one month in advance, the Dean of Student Services at (785) 738-2276 to make requests for accommodations.

## **Policy Regarding Academic Dishonesty**

Academic dishonesty of any kind will not be tolerated while attending North Central Kansas Technical College. Examples of academic dishonesty include: plagiarism, cheating, falsification or forgery of any assignments or examinations. Any student who participates in any form of academic dishonesty must accept the consequences for their actions. These consequences may include, but are not limited to the following (a) verbal or written warning, (b) lowering of grade for assignment/activity, (c) failure of class assignment, exam, and/or course. For further information regarding NCKTC policies on scholastic dishonesty see pages 9-10 of the Student Handbook.

### **DISCLAIMER:**

The instructor has the right to evaluate any unusual circumstances on an individual basis and make decisions about any of the policies as may be appropriate.