HDFS 284 – Introduction to Family Relationships

Proficiency Exam

Course Description: Family development and internal family social processes using systemic perspectives. Family strengths and diversity. Interaction and communication patterns.

Proficiency Exam: The exam consists of 120 multiple choice items. Two hours of testing time are allowed. The minimum passing score is 96 test items (80%) answered correctly. Upon successful completion of the exam, three (3) credit hours of HDFS 284 – Introduction to Family Relationships will be granted.

Please Note: Students may not earn proficiency credit for a course for which they have received credit; nor may they receive credit for courses which substantially overlap or are prerequisite to any in which they are enrolled or for which they have received credit. Normally, a student may attempt to gain proficiency credit for a particular course only once (NIU Undergraduate Catalog: Academic Regulations: Proficiency Examinations).


This textbook may be ordered through the Holmes Student Center Bookstore. Allow several weeks for delivery.

Additional purchasing options and resources are available through the publisher at: https://www.cengage.com/c/marriages-families-and-relationships-making-choices-in-a-diverse-society-13e-lamanna/

Registration: This exam is administered by the NIU Testing Services office Adams Hall, Room 128.

Please schedule an appointment for your exam by contacting Testing Services at:

Phone: 815-753-1203   Email: testing@niu.edu   Fax: 815-753-3701

Results: Results will be available immediately following completion of the exam.