



## **Practicum in Human and Social Development**

The major in Human and Social Development culminates in a **practicum** in a setting related to students' area of interest and prepares them for both graduate studies and careers. The practicum serves an integrative function: it allows students to apply their academic training, to further develop their career goals, and to hone their skills while gaining experience in real-world settings.

HSD majors are required to complete the practicum (EPS 471) during their senior year. Practica are unpaid, supervised experiences that students gain at an off-campus site. Students have the option of doing a three credit hour (minimum 120 hours on site) or six credit hour (minimum 250 hours on site) practicum in accordance with their interest, availability, and other academic and non-academic commitments. Students choose from a menu of settings that have been approved as HSD practicum sites. Please see the HSD Handbook for more information about the HSD practicum.