

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT - CERTIFICATE

The Department of Hospitality, Hotel Management and Tourism (HMGT) offers a certificate in Youth Development.

This certificate focuses on programs and services that contribute to the development of young people's personal, physical, social and educational abilities in and out-of-school contexts. Youth workers are program developers, leaders and managers who need to be able to work with youth, families, organizations and communities. Coursework in this option focuses on positive youth development, program planning and evaluation, methods for working with young people, and societal factors that both contribute to and inhibit the development of young people. Students with an option in this field look forward to careers with non-profit, public and for-profit agencies that supply youth development opportunities for young people. Settings include after-school programs, community programs, camps, outdoor adventure and church-related recreation programs.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
ALEC 370	Principles of Positive Youth Development	3
ALEC 371	Skills and Techniques for Youth Development Professionals	3
ALEC 472	Grant Writing and Program Evaluation for Youth Development Organizations	3
ALEC 478	Youth Development Practice	3
HMGT elective ¹		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

¹ Select from HMGT 200-499 (<http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/hmgt/>); RWFm 346, RWFm 375, RWFm 400/ ECCB 452.

Students must have a minimum 2.0 overall GPA in courses within the certificate.