



## **CEEF 6306**

### **Lifespan Development**

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#### **Mission**

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

#### **The Purpose of the Course**

The purpose of this course is to educate students about the life-long and multi-dimensional process of human development and to apply that knowledge to a variety of ministry contexts.

#### **Core Values**

The seminary has five core values. The focal core value for 2019-2020 is *spiritual vitality*. This course supports the five core values of the seminary.

*Spiritual Vitality* - We are a worshiping community emphasizing both personal spirituality and gathering together as a Seminary family for the praise and adoration of God and instruction in His Word.

#### **Curriculum Competencies Addressed**

All graduates of NOBTS are expected to have at least a minimum level of competency in each of the following areas: Biblical Exposition, Christian Theological Heritage, Disciple Making, Interpersonal Skills, Servant Leadership, Spiritual and Character Formation, and Worship Leadership. The curriculum competencies addressed in this course are:

*Interpersonal relationships:* To perform pastoral care effectively, with skills in communication and conflict management.

*Spiritual and Character Formation:* To provide moral leadership by modeling and mentoring Christian care and devotion.

*Disciple-making:* To stimulate church health through mobilizing the church for missions, evangelism, discipleship, and church growth.

### **Course Description**

In this course students will explore the different stages of human life through course readings, a service learning project, and by writing a developmental biography. Emphasis is given to the application of subject knowledge to ministry contexts.

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course you will be able to demonstrate:

1. an understanding of theories, methods, and research findings related to lifespan development.
2. an understanding of how developmental concepts, theories, and principles apply to everyday life and ministry contexts.
3. an ability to document the effects of major biopsychosocial influences on the development of individuals across the lifespan.

### **The Embedded Assignment**

#### **Developmental Biography (30%)**

**Due: See Course Schedule**

Write a developmental biography of a *fictional individual* over the course of the semester. You may be asked to comment on your individual in class discussions. For the developmental biography include the following:

- **Demographic Characteristics:** Introduce your individual. For the time of your subject's birth, provide demographic characteristics including: gender, socio-economic status, ethnicity, cultural background, family composition, parental characteristics, physical and psychological health of family members. *These characteristics will impact your developing individual at each stage.* While you may choose to apply autobiographical details to your individual, this is not a developmental *autobiography* assignment. This information is due first and is separate from the life stages.
- Using the template provided on Blackboard, in 1.5 to 2 pages for *each* of the assigned seven life stages (Infancy, Early Childhood, Middle Childhood, Adolescence, Young Adulthood, Middle Adulthood, Late Adulthood), apply information from each unit regarding that life stage to all aspects (physical development, cognitive development, social/emotional development, spiritual development) of your growing and maturing individual. *You must connect each life stage to the prior stages.* For example: You should connect the infancy stage to the prenatal stage. What kind of prenatal care did the mother receive? Was the child full term? Were there any environmental (i.e. smoking, drugs) or medical complications for the developing fetus? You may also address the mother's emotional state, her age, and the family's reaction to the birth. The infancy stage will then be connected to the early childhood stage and so forth. *Each installment is due by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. in the week it is due.*

- Demographic Characteristics

Week 2

- Infancy/Early Childhood                      Week 5
- Middle Childhood/Adolescence              Week 8
- Young/Middle/Late Adulthood              Week 13

NOTE: The developmental biography for infancy/early childhood will be returned by Friday of WEEK 7 with feedback. Consider the infancy and early childhood developmental biographies as a practice run. You will receive essential feedback which will be helpful as you construct the subsequent life stage biographies. After feedback, you may resubmit the infancy and early childhood developmental biographies for final grading. *The infancy life stage is the only stage which may be resubmitted after feedback. Feedback given on other stages should be considered as you develop the next installment of the biography.*

**YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A SEPARATE GRADE FOR EACH INSTALLMENT. THE ASSIGNMENT GRADE WILL BE POSTED AFTER THE LAST INSTALLMENT (LATE ADULTHOOD).**

If you are struggling with the application of the material for a particular developmental stage, you may interview someone who is in the stage or who has a child in that particular stage. Communicate to the interviewee that the purpose of the interview is to gain a better understanding of the stage and that you will not be sharing their experiences with the class. A rubric for this assignment is located at the end of this syllabus and is also posted on Blackboard in Assignments Upload. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcome #2 and #3. This assignment is an embedded assignment that will be completed by all students for all sections of this course. The rubric for grading this assignment is attached to this syllabus. Please complete the assignment according to this rubric.*

### **Required Texts**

MindTap Psychology for Kail/Cavanaugh's Essentials of Human Development, 2nd Edition, 2017 [Instant Access], 1 term (6 months) by Robert V. Kail; John C. Cavanaugh, Edition: 2nd ISBN: 9781305858657. **DO NOT PURCHASE THE BOOK OR E-BOOK ONLY!**

Balswick, Joack, Pamela King, and Kevin Reimer. *The Reciprocating Self: Human Development in Theological Perspective*. Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2016. ISBN: 978-0830851430 (Kindle edition available)

### **Course Teaching Methodology**

#### Units

Prenatal Development, Infancy, and Early Childhood  
 School-age Children and Adolescence  
 Young and Middle Adulthood  
 Late Adulthood  
 Death/Dying

## Methodology

Methods used in this course include readings, discussion boards, lecture, video, service hours, and individual learning assignments.

## Format

This course is taught online.

## **Assignments and Evaluation Criteria**

A rubric for each of the following assignments may be found on Blackboard in Assignments. Weeks begin in Monday and end on Sunday. Unless otherwise instructed, assignments are due on Sundays by 11:59 p.m.

### **1. Readings/Assignments:**

**Due: See Course Schedule Below**

All readings/assignments should be completed prior to Discussion Board due dates so you can actively relate to all discussions. Reading the assigned chapters is extremely important as Discussion Boards will not cover all of the assigned reading material but are designed to supplement text reading and provide opportunities to process what you have read. A minimum of one to two hours of reading and studying will be needed to be prepared for each unit. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcome #1.*

### **2. Quizzes: (10%)**

**Due: See Course Schedule Below**

In order to help you keep up with the assigned readings, open-book quizzes will be given during the semester over the designated content assigned for that unit. You may use notes, your textbook, and any other material that we use in class. You may not “Google” answers. You are trusted to be honest in your academic endeavors. *Weekly quizzes will open on Monday at 12:30 a.m. and must be taken by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday.* Missed quizzes may not be made up. Late quizzes will not be given. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcome #1.*

### **3. Examinations (5): (6% each/Total=30%)**

**Due: See Course Schedule Below**

You are expected to take all examinations at the scheduled times. Unless otherwise indicated, exams are *open book/open note*. Do not make the mistake of thinking that you will be able to find all of the answers while taking the test. In fact, because of the application nature of the questions, many of the answers cannot be found word for word in your text. You should understand key concepts, be able to apply what you have learned and have asked any questions prior to starting the test.

Tests will cover materials presented through class discussions, presentations, and assigned reading. Exams will consist of objective questions (true/false and multiple choice) and subjective questions (identification and essay/short answer). *All tests will be posted on Blackboard under Assignments and will be available at 12:30 a.m. on Monday and will close at 11:59 p.m. CST on Sunday.* The exam can be opened one time only and must be completed within the time allotted. A few tips about taking a test on Blackboard:

- Be on a computer (not a tablet or phone), “wired” to the wall, and not on Wi-Fi. You may lose connection to the exam if you do not follow this instruction.

- Do not hit the “save” button to save answers during a single-attempt test – “saving” implies that you wish to complete the test later and this is not allowed in a single- attempt test. Any attempt to do so will likely kick you out.
- Use Firefox or Chrome. Past experience has demonstrated that you should not use Internet Explorer or Safari to take exams. Why? I do not know. I only know that it is true.
- Compose your response to a short answer/discussion question in a Word document and then paste your answer into the test. By doing so you will have a copy of your answer should you get kicked out of the exam.
- If you believe that an answer to a question is keyed incorrectly, please send an email with the full questions, the answer you selected, why you believe your answer is the correct answer, and the textbook page or reference to support your answer. Mistakes in keying the test are made, the textbook publisher makes mistakes, and it is possible that you will find errors. Often, by going through these steps, students discover that what was designated as the correct answer was in fact correct. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcome #1.*

#### **4. Application Projects (10% each/Total=20%)                      Due: Weeks 8 and 14**

Complete two projects selected from the application projects presented in the syllabus (pg. 9). Each project is associated with a chapter in *Essentials of Human Development*. Detailed instructions for each assignment are posted on Blackboard. You must submit a 2 to 3-page summary of your activity on or before the day of the exam which covers the relevant chapter.

#### **5. Developmental Biography (30%)    Due: Weeks 2, 5, 8, 13**

Refer to the description under The Embedded Assignment.

#### **6. Discussion Board Participation (10%)    Due: Weekly**

Threaded Discussion: Topic oriented discussions are graded and open during a set period of time. Your task is to discuss an assigned topic and demonstrate your knowledge, understanding, and insight, much like you would in a classroom discussion. Your comments will be graded on their substance and thoughtfulness and should reflect appropriate application of emerging knowledge and vocabulary in the topic area. Each posting should add value to the discussion. Adding value to the discussion would include things like an example illustrating your position, posting a website, asking question of your fellow classmates, giving a personal example, bringing in something from the textbook, videos or from some outside reading to support your opinion.

- **Replying to the Postings of Your Classmates:** In addition to writing your own response, each unit you will post a response to at least two other students’ responses. Your response must be more than “Yeah, I agree.” In your replies to other students you can: 1) Expand on or clarify a point made in the answer. 2) Offer an additional argument to support a position taken in an answer. 3) Suggest ways in which an idea could be more clearly expressed. 4) Identify passages where you think the writer misunderstood a concept or applied it incorrectly. 5) Disagree with a point or position made in a response.

- Spelling and grammar count. You should write in complete sentences and present well-developed ideas.

Once a due date has passed, you can no longer receive credit for submitting a discussion posting. *No exceptions to this policy are made.* You cannot complete "other assignments" or extra credit to "make-up" for not being able to participate. Consider the discussion board the classroom. If you want to participate in a discussion, you need to show up on time, when everyone else is discussing that topic, in order to get credit for participating. You need your classmates in order to get credit for responding to someone, just as they need you to post an interesting statement to which they can respond.

Your contributions to the Discussion Board Topic are worth 20 points for each week for a total of 10% of your final grade.

The week begins on MONDAY and ends on SUNDAY. Your initial post to the posted questions(s) must be made by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. CST of each week. Responses to other students' posts must be made by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. CST. Any threaded discussion posted after 11:59 will not be viewed by the professor or grader and will *not* count towards class participation for that week. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcomes #1 and #2.*

A rubric for class participation may be found in Assignments Upload. *This assignment is related to Student Learning Outcomes #1 and #2.*

### **Course Evaluation**

Quizzes	10%
Examinations (5)	30%
Application Projects (10% each)	20%
Developmental Biography	30%
Discussion Board	10%

## Course Schedule

Week	Week of:	Unit	Topic	Assignment
1	1/21		Introduction to Lifespan Development Syllabus	Introduce yourself on the Discussion Board
2	1/28	1	<b>Theories of Development</b>	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 1 Balswick, Part One Unit 1 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Study of Human Development</li> <li>• The Brain: A Secret History</li> </ul> <b>Unit 1: Quiz 1 Due</b> <b>Demographic Characteristics Due (2/3)</b>
3	2/4	2	<b>Prenatal Development, Infancy, and Early Childhood</b> Pregnancy/Prenatal Video: <i>Miracle of Life</i>	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 2 Unit 2 – Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is Sex Determined</li> <li>• Biological Beginnings</li> </ul> <b>Unit 2: Quiz 1 Due</b>
4	2/11	2	The Newborn	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 3 Unit 2 Course Document <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tools for Exploring</li> </ul> <b>Exam #1 (Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 1-2, Balswick Part 1)</b>
5	2/18	3	<b>Infancy and Early Childhood</b> Cognitive Development:	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 4 Balswick, Chapter 6 Unit 3 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Emergence of Thought and Language</li> </ul> <b>Unit 3: Quiz 1 Due</b> <b>Developmental Biography for Infancy and Early Childhood Due</b>
6	2/25	3	Socioemotional Development:	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 5 Unit 3 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entering the Social World</li> </ul> <b>Unit 3: Quiz 2 Due</b>
7	3/4	4	<b>Middle Childhood</b>	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 6-7 Balswick, Chapter 7 Unit 4 Course Documents <b>Exam #2 (Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 3-5; Balswick, Chapter 6)</b>
8	3/11	5	<b>Adolescence</b>	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 8-9 Blaswick, Chapter 8 Unit 5 Course Documents <b>Unit 5: Quiz 1 Due</b> <b>Developmental Biography for Middle Childhood and Adolescence Due</b> <b>Application Project I Due</b>

Week	Week of:	Unit	Topic	Assignment
9	3/18		Spring Break	
10	3/25	6	Young Adulthood	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 10-11 Balswick, Chapter 9 Unit 6 Course Documents <b>Exam #3 (Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 6-9; Balswick, Chapters 7-8)</b>
11	4/1	7	Middle Adulthood	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 12-13 Balswick, Chapter 10 Unit 7 Course Documents <b>Unit 7: Quiz 1 Due</b>
12	4/8	8	Late Adulthood	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 14 Balswick, Chapter 11 Unit 8 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Late Adulthood</li> </ul> <b>Exam #4 (Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapters 10-13; Balswick, Chapters 9-10)</b>
13	4/15	8	Late Adulthood	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 15 Unit 8 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social Aspects of Later Life</li> </ul> <b>Unit 8: Quiz 1 Due</b> <b>Developmental Biography for Young, Middle, and Late Adulthood Due</b>
14	4/22	8	Dying and Bereavement	Kail and Cavanaugh, Chapter 16 Unit 8 Course Documents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dying and Bereavement</li> </ul> <b>Unit 8: Quiz 2</b> <b>Application Project II Due</b>
15	4/29		Applications for Ministry	Balswick, Part Three
16			Final Exam	

\*The Professor reserves the right to change topics/dates as necessary (see course policies).



### Lifespan Development Application Projects

The following is a brief description of the projects that you have an opportunity to complete this semester. You should decide early which of the projects interest you most and plan accordingly. *Specific instructions for each project assignment are posted on Blackboard.*

Project	Brief Description	Chapters	Due Date
<b>Prenatal Development, Infancy, and Early Childhood</b>			
1	Interview two adults (one male, one female) outside of classmates, with regard to their attitudes concerning various technological advances in assisted reproductive technology and prenatal development.	2-5	
2.	Estimate what is costs to birth and maintain an infant for the first year. Consult medical professionals, parents, and price baby equipment in department stores and/or online.	2-5	
<b>School-Age Children</b>			
3	Conduct Piagetian conservation tasks with two children (about 3-9 years of age). Record and report their responses.	6-7	
4.	Interview two children (one male, one female) in elementary school with regard to their views on friendship – what is means to be a good friend and how they choose their friends.	6-7	
<b>Adolescence</b>			
5	View either <i>The Sandlot</i> or <i>Mean Girl</i> sand describe indicators of moral dilemma and moral development in two of the main characters.	8-9	
6	Analyze media in relation to adolescent development. Choose a topic related to adolescent development and analyze its depiction in the media.	8-9	
<b>Application Project I Due</b>			<b>3/17</b>
<b>Young and Middle Adulthood</b>			
7	Read magazines directed to parents. Select two magazines for parents (e.g., Parents, Parenting). Read over these magazines and then complete the assigned handout.	10-13	
8	Interview a family member, friend, or community member, who is at least 35 years of age, about his/her career experiences.	10-13	
<b>Late Adulthood</b>			
9	Conduct interviews with two people (one male, one female) in late adulthood about their experience of aging.	14-15	
10		14-15	
<b>Dying</b>			
11	Interview two people (one male, one female) who you know well and who have experiences the loss of a significant other (parent, child, spouse).	16	
<b>Application Project II Due</b>			<b>5/5</b>

## Course Policies

**Academic Honesty Policy:** All graduate and undergraduate NOBTS students, whether on-campus, internet, or extension center students, are expected to adhere to the highest Christian standard of honesty and integrity when completing academic assignments for all courses in every delivery system format. The Bible provides our standard for academic integrity and honesty. This standard applies whether a student is taking tests, quizzes, exams, writing papers, completing Discussion Boards, or any other course requirement.

**Assignment Formatting:** Unless otherwise noted, all assignments are to be created in Turabian format. All written assignments must be Word documents, written in third person unless otherwise instructed, and created in 12 pt. Times New Roman font. PDFs will not be accepted.

**Assignment Submission:** All assignments are to be submitted to Blackboard by 11:59 p.m. of the due date unless otherwise indicated. Do not send files as attachments via email to the professor. For technical reasons, this mode of file transmission is extremely inefficient.

**Grading Scale:** Your final grade will be based on your total accumulation of points as indicated under the *Assignments and Evaluation Criteria* section of this syllabus according to the grading scale in the NOBTS 2013-2014 catalog.

A 93-100 B 85-92 C 77-84 D 70-76 F 69 and below

**Late Assignments:** Only under extreme circumstances, and with prior approval, will a late assignment be accepted. Late assignments will be assessed an initial 10 percent penalty and 1 percent for each day after the due date (i.e. 10/1 points for a 100-point assignment, 3/3 points for a 30 point assignment). No assignments will be accepted more than two weeks after the original due date. Missed presentations may not be made up.

**Netiquette: Appropriate Online Behavior:** Each student is expected to demonstrate appropriate Christian behavior when working online. The student is expected to interact with other students in a fashion that will promote learning and respect for the opinions of others in the course. A spirit of Christian charity is expected at all times in the online environment.

**Plagiarism:** A high standard of personal integrity is expected of all students. Copying another person's work, submitting downloaded material without proper references, submitting material without properly citing the source, submitting the same material for credit in more than one course, and other such forms of dishonesty are strictly forbidden. *Although anything cited in three sources is considered public domain, we require that all sources be cited.* Any infraction will result in failing the course. Any infraction will be reported to the Dean of Students for further action.

**Recording Policy:** Recordings of class, including any audio and/or video recordings, regardless of the media or format, and regardless of the intended or actual use, are not permitted without

prior written permission of the professor. The class will be notified in advance should any such recording be approved. This policy is intended to protect the privacy of the students.

**Revision of the Syllabus:** The course syllabus is not a legal contract. Any syllabus revision will be preceded by a reasonable notice to students. The standards and requirements set forth in this syllabus may be modified at any time by the professor. Notice of such changes will be by announcement in class or by email notice.

**Withdrawal from the Course:** The administration has set deadlines for withdrawal. These dates and times are published in the academic calendar. Administration procedures must be followed. You are responsible to handle withdrawal requirements. A professor can't issue a withdrawal. You must do the proper paperwork to ensure that you will not receive a final grade of "F" in the course if you choose not to attend once you are enrolled.

### **Additional Information**

**Blackboard and Self-Serve:** You are responsible for maintaining current information regarding contact information on Blackboard and Self-Serve. The professor will utilize both to communicate with the class. Blackboard and Self-Serve do not share information so you must update each. Assignment grades will be posted to Blackboard. You will be need to enroll in the course on Blackboard.

**Correspondence with the Grader:** You should contact the grader via email \_\_\_\_\_. The grader responds to email during normal business hours, 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays only. The grader may not respond to late night or weekend e-mails until regular "business" hours. Please respect the grader's personal time. Remember, graders are students as well and have their own coursework and research to complete. Please be respectful in the language you use in your emails to the grader.

**Correspondence with the Professor:** Every effort is made to respond to emails and phone calls within 24-48 hours, excluding weekends. Please feel free to contact the professor(s) with any question you may have regarding this course.

**Hurricane/Severe Weather Evacuation:** In the event of a hurricane or other emergency, go to the seminary web site for information: [www.nobts.edu](http://www.nobts.edu). See Blackboard for any announcements that may be posted. You should ensure your email address is updated on Blackboard.

For up-to-date weather information stay tuned to:

- WBSN FM-89.1
- WWL Channel 4
- WWL AM-870
- [www.nobts.edu](http://www.nobts.edu)

**Mandatory Evacuation:** Hurricane season lasts from June 1 to November 30. If the Mayor or the President of NOBTS recommends that you leave the city, then do so. If a mandatory evacuation is called everyone except emergency personnel must leave. Staying on campus is not an option. See the *Student Handbook* for further information regarding hurricane preparedness, evacuation, and shelter.

**NOBTS Emergency Text Messaging Service:** Once you have established a Self-Serve account you may sign up for the NOBTS emergency text messaging service by going to <http://nobts.edu/NOBTSEmergencyTextMessage.html> .

**Office Hours:** Email any day of the week. For same-day response best to email before 9:00pm.

**Special Needs:** If you need an accommodation for any type of disability, please set up a time to meet with the professor(s) to discuss any modifications you may need that are able to be provided.

**Technical Support:** Need technical assistance? Contact the ITC today:

[Selfserve@nobts.edu](mailto:Selfserve@nobts.edu) - Email for technical questions/support requests with the Selfserve.nobts.edu site (Access to online registration, financial account, online transcript, etc.)

[BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu](mailto:BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu) - Email for technical questions/support requests with the NOBTS Blackboard Learning Management System NOBTS.Blackboard.com.

[ITCSupport@nobts.edu](mailto:ITCSupport@nobts.edu) - Email for general technical questions/support requests.

504.816.8180 - Call for any technical questions/support requests.

[www.NOBTS.edu/itc/](http://www.NOBTS.edu/itc/) - General NOBTS technical help information is provided on this website.

If you experience any problems with your Blackboard account you may email

[BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu](mailto:BlackboardHelpDesk@nobts.edu) or call the ITC at 504-282-4455, ext. 8180.

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PREP (help to avoid student debt)	<a href="mailto:Prepassistant1@nobts.edu">Prepassistant1@nobts.edu</a>	504.816.8091	<a href="http://www.nobts.edu/prep">www.nobts.edu/prep</a>
Gatekeeper NOBTS news	<a href="mailto:pr@nobts.edu">pr@nobts.edu</a>	504.816.8003	<a href="http://nobtsgatekeeper.wordpress.com">nobtsgatekeeper.wordpress.com</a>
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Student Counseling	<a href="mailto:lmccc@nobts.edu">lmccc@nobts.edu</a>	504.816.8004	<a href="http://www.nobts.edu/student-services/counseling-services.html">www.nobts.edu/student-services/counseling-services.html</a>
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For additional library resources in your state, check <http://www.nobts.edu/library/interlibrary-loan.html>

- GALILEO for Georgia students
- LALINC for Louisiana students
- Florida Virtual Library (<http://www.flelibrary.org/>) for Florida students
- Interact with us online at –



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<b>Rubric for Developmental Biography (Embedded Assignment)</b>						
	<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Excellent (4)</b>	<b>Good (3)</b>	<b>Fair (2)</b>	<b>Poor (1)</b>	<b>Unacceptable (0)</b>
<b>Understanding</b>	<b>Biographical/ Demographic Content</b>  <b>Weight: 10%</b>	Student provided complete biographic/demographic content for the following <i>eight</i> areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• gender</li> <li>• socio-economic status</li> <li>• ethnicity</li> <li>• cultural background</li> <li>• family composition</li> <li>• parental characteristics</li> <li>• physical health of family members</li> <li>• psychological health of family members.</li> </ul>	Student provided complete biographic/demographic content for <i>seven</i> of the assigned areas.	Student provided complete biographic/demographic content for <i>six</i> of the assigned areas.	Student provided <i>incomplete</i> biographic/demographic content for <i>five</i> or more of the assigned areas.	Student failed to provide biographic/demographic content.
	<b>Developmental Content</b>  <b>Weight: 40%</b>	Student included <i>all (4)</i> of the following areas of development for 7 assigned life stages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>physical</i></li> <li>• <i>cognitive</i></li> <li>• <i>social/emotional</i></li> <li>• <i>spiritual</i></li> </ul>	Student included <i>most (4)</i> of the assigned areas of development for <i>six</i> assigned life stages:	Student included <i>all (4)</i> of the assigned areas of development for <i>six</i> of the assigned life stages.	Student included <i>all (4)</i> or <i>most (3)</i> of the assigned areas of development for <i>five</i> of the assigned life stages.	Student included the assigned areas of development for <i>less than five</i> of the assigned life stages.
	<b>Subtotal 50%</b>					

Application	<b>Lifespan Development Connections</b> Weight: 30%	Student related specific impact(s) of <i>each</i> (4) of the following developmental areas of <i>each</i> life stage upon the subsequent stage(s).: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>physical</i></li> <li>• <i>cognitive</i></li> <li>• <i>social/emotional</i></li> <li>• <i>spiritual</i></li> </ul>	Student related specific impact(s) of <i>most</i> (3) of the assigned developmental areas of <i>each</i> life stage upon the subsequent stage(s).	Student related specific impacts(s) of each of the assigned developmental areas of <i>six</i> life stages upon the subsequent stage(s).	Student related specific impacts(s) of each of the assigned developmental areas of <i>five</i> life stages upon the subsequent stage(s).	Student related specific impacts(s) of the assigned developmental stages of <i>four or less</i> life stages upon the subsequent stage(s).
	<b>Subtotal 30%</b>					
Communication	<b>Length</b> Weight: 10%	Student provided 1.5 to 2 pages for 7 life stages.	Student provided <i>less than</i> 1.5 to 2 pages for 7 life stages assigned but did include all 7 stages.	Student provided 1.5 to 2 pages for six of the life stages.	Student provided <i>less than</i> 1.5 to 2 pages for six of the life stages.	Student addressed <i>less than six</i> of the life stages.
	<b>Grammar and Usage</b> 10%	No errors impair the flow of the assignment. Errors are infrequent and have a minor impact.	Errors are occasional but do not impede the flow of the assignment; the student's meaning is not seriously obscured by errors.	Errors are frequent and somewhat disrupt the flow of the assignment; the meaning is discernable.	Errors are serious and numerous; they disrupt the flow of the assignment; the meaning is discernable.	Errors are serious and numerous; they disrupt the flow of the assignment; the meaning is not discernable.
	<b>Subtotal 20%</b>					
	<b>TOTAL</b>					

<b>DOMAIN</b>	<b>LEVEL</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>	<b>Does Not Meet</b>	<b>Meets</b>	<b>Exceeds</b>
<b>UNDERSTANDING</b>	Able to understand theories, methods, and research findings related to lifespan development.				
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Able to apply in a Christian Education ministry the biopsychosocial and spiritual needs of individuals across the lifespan.				
<b>COMMUNICATION</b>	Able to communicate the major biopsychosocial influences on the development of individuals across the lifespan.				