Basic Course Requirements for HD Majors, 2014-2015 matriculation year ONLY – see website for full requirements

1. Natural Sciences: 2 courses, 6-8 credits Courses must be taken at Cornell
   1a. Introductory Biology: BIOG 1140 (non-premeds). Premeds must take two biology lectures. It is recommended that they choose either BIOMG 1350 and BIOG 1440 and BIOG 1500 OR BIOMG 1350 and BIOG 1445(auto-tutorial) and BIOG 1500.
   1b. Take a second approved natural science course; see HD curriculum sheet (http://www.human.cornell.edu/registrar/degree-progress/curriculum-sheets.cfm)

   *Required for all pre-med students

3. Social Sciences: 2 courses, 6-8 credits
   Psychology 1101 is strongly recommended for HD majors. Any course (at any level) in Psychology, Government, Sociology, Development Sociology, Anthropology or Economics can be used to fulfill this requirement.
   Note: Students often believe that they can only take introductory courses to fulfill this requirement. This is not the case. The introductory courses in the HD major are usually considered sufficient background for more advanced courses in Psychology and Sociology. Courses cross-listed in HD may not be used to fulfill this requirement.

4. Written Communications: 2 first year writing seminars must be completed during the first 2 semesters

5. Humanities: 1 course, 3 credits. Includes literature, history, philosophy, religion and archaeology. Critical, historical, and theoretical studies of arts and design are included. Does NOT include language, creative, or the performing arts.

6. Quantitative & Analytical: 4 credits of Introductory Statistics
   Courses approved for HD are AEM 2100, BTRY 3010, MATH 1710, PSYCH 3500, PAM 2100 and ILRST/STSCI 2100. SOC 3010 can be accepted for internal transfers from A&S.
   Statistics must be taken at Cornell. AP Statistics is not accepted by HD. Please see Honors, below, for special instructions applying to HD honor students.

7. Human Ecology Outside HD: 9 credits
   Note: Any course in CHE outside HD. Includes ECON 1110/1120. May not include HE 1000, 1001, 2010, or any 4030 in the college. Maximum 3 credits of 4000, 4010, and 4020 may be used. 8 credits of Urban Semester, Capital Semester or Cornell in Washington may be applied to fulfill this requirement.

8. Human Development Courses: 36 didactic credits are required, all taken for letter grades (S/U not allowed)
   - First year: HD 1150, 1160, and 1170 are required (1160 is not required for sophomore or junior transfers).
   - Two 2000 level courses; the two must come from different areas: Cognitive -- HD 2200, HD 2300; Social & Personality - HD 2600; or Aging & Health -- HD 2180, HD 2510. HD2580 will count in all 3 areas.
   - Take 18 credits at the 3000 and 4000 level in HD (two courses[6 credits] must be at the 4000 level, not including special studies, see below)
   - Scientific methods practice is required: (see Scientific Methods, above)
   - Fulfill a concentration in one of 5 areas of the department (see curriculum sheet); a concentration consists of 4 courses at the 3000 & 4000 level including at least one 4000 level course in that concentration. Students must self-declare the concentration during their junior years.
   - Breadth requirement: one 3000- or 4000-level course in an area outside the declared concentration
   - Only one HD course designated as a LAB may be counted toward the 36 credits
   - No special studies (4000, 4010, 4020, 4030, 4980, 4990) count toward the 36 required credits in HD. These are counted as electives toward graduation. Only 12 credits of special studies can be counted toward graduation.
   - Research method course HD 2830 and statistics courses HD 4750 and HD 4760 DO count towards the 36 HD required credits, however, they DO NOT fall under any of the areas of concentration.

9. Other and elective courses – to bring the total credits earned to a minimum of 120, exclusive of physical education.
   43 credits must be taken in the College of Human Ecology. These credits are counted across all categories (I, II & III) of the graduation requirements.

    The HD honors program is a two year program. Students should apply by October 15 of their junior year. Late applications are accepted with permission. Students should complete introductory basic statistics (see above) before applying to the honors program. A GPA of 3.5 is required for acceptance; students with lower GPAs may apply for provisional acceptance. Students in the honors program must complete HD 2830 (Research Methods) and a second, more advanced statistics class that focuses on multivariate statistics (HD4760 or 4770 is strongly recommended). Please see the web link above for more information.