

Major-Minor in Developmental Psychology

Introduction: This major-minor focuses on answering questions like: How do people develop across the lifespan? What causes them to change? What distinguishes healthy from pathological development? What is important to people's well-being at different life stages?

Courses Developmental Psychology

Development of personal relationships

Block 2

6 ECTS

In this course you learn about the role and development of relationships across the lifespan. The course discusses both positive (e.g., friendships) and negative (e.g., bullying, loneliness) aspects.

Positive Psychology and Development

Block 3

6 ECTS

This course focuses on healthy development and what helps people grow psychologically. It focuses on key aspects such as well-being, motivation, and strengths.

Developmental Disorders

Block 4

6 ECTS

This course teaches you what characterizes (non-normal) pathological development, how it develops, and how to diagnose disorders.

Psychological Assessment

Block 1

6 ECTS – Only Major

In this course you will learn how to use and interpret standardized tests and questionnaires, and how to diagnose developmental disorders.

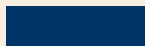
Bachelor thesis (examples):

Emotion regulation in adolescents
Personality change in transition to work

Well-being of parents
Fertility decisions and personality

Successful aging
Benefits of grandchild care

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Subsequent Master's programs

Main language: English

- Clinical Neuropsychology
- Positive Psychology and Well-Being*
- RM Individual Differences and Assessment
- *Main language: Dutch*
Clinical Child- and Youth Psychology
- Clinical Psychology
- Clinical Forensic Psychology

Career prospectives

- Child- and youth psychologist
- School psychologist
- Health (GZ) psychologist
- Family / youth consultant
- Coach / Trainer
- Geriatric psychologist
- Policy advisor
- Developmental researcher

NOTE: From 2025/2026 onwards, the Positive Psychology and Well-being track will be a Social Psychology master. You need to fulfill the admission criteria for the Social Psychology master in order to be eligible for this track.

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