

**TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES GRADUATE PROGRAMS
HDFS DOCTORAL DEGREE**

7000 PROJECT

HDFS 7000 is intended to be an intensive research project, conducted under the supervision of the advisor. The research may involve collection of data or analysis of an existing data set. The end product must be a manuscript based on the research project and presented at a regional or national conference with the prior approval of the advisor. The advisor will notify the Program Director that the HDFS 7000 project has been completed by turning in the attached form along with a copy of the submitted manuscript. **Submission of the project to a peer-reviewed scholarly journal is highly recommended.**

The specific nature and scope of the 7000 project must be negotiated between the student and advisor. Ultimately, the advisor must use his/her discretion to make decisions about what constitutes an acceptable HDFS 7000 project. It is expected that the student will be first author on the manuscript, reflecting that the student made the primary contributions to the specific research being reported and the preparation of the manuscript. Usually, the advisor will be co-author of the manuscript, reflecting the advisor's contribution to the research and to the write-up. Authorship is not "automatic" and must be based on actual contribution. Authorship must follow the "Ethical Standards for Reporting and Publishing of Scientific Information" published by the American Psychological Association. A copy of these standards is included in this section of the Program Manual.

It is recommended that the scope, nature, time line, and authorship of the 7000 project be formalized in a contract between advisor and student. The contract form is also included in this section.

In the event that a student has a conference presentation submitted and accepted, but the timing of the conference is such that presentation is not possible before the most optimal time for the student to take qualifying exams, then the student may present the same work in the same way that it will be presented at the regional or national conference at a colloquium to be held in the department. The student is responsible for arranging and announcing the departmental colloquium. A copy of the departmental colloquium announcement must be provided to the GHDFS director at least one week prior to the colloquium.