Graduate Studies in Developmental Science at Virginia Tech

We welcome graduate applicants for Fall 2021!

The Developmental Science concentration in the Department of Psychology at Virginia Tech comprises faculty who study aspects of human functioning that change in important and substantive ways across many ages. We ask a variety of research questions within the broad areas of neuroscience, perception, attention, cognition, communication, learning, memory, emotion, social, cultural, psychopathological, and family processes. We employ a rich array of behavioral testing and observational methods in studies with infants, children, adolescents, parents and families, along with specialized techniques in statistical modeling, electrophysiology, eye tracking, and neuroimaging.

**Dr. Martha Ann Bell**, Professor
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**Dr. Vanessa Diaz**, Collegiate Faculty
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**Dr. Jungmeen Kim-Spoon**, Professor
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**Dr. Tae-Ho Lee**, Assistant Professor
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**Dr. Robin Panneton**, Associate Professor
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**Dr. Kurt Hoffman**, Senior Instructor
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**Dr. Thomas Ollendick**, University Distinguished Professor
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