

IV. INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT AND IDENTITY

Social studies teachers should possess the knowledge, capabilities, and dispositions to organize and provide instruction at the appropriate school level for the study of Individual Development and Identity.

Learner Expectations

All humans think, learn, act, and develop cognitively, socially, physically, emotionally, personally, and mentally as well as construct, test, confirm, revise, and apply multiple concepts of and multiple identities as to who they are. While much of what humans are and become has been associated with genetics and assumed natural stages of physical, psychological, emotional, and mental development; a far greater factor in mental, social, emotional, personal, and identity construction and application is the interaction of the individual with his or her environments and the consequences of these interactions. All individuals should know the factors that contribute to who they are; to what they think, feel, and believe; to what they decide and do: to why they are likely to make certain decisions and act in particular ways; and to how they perceive themselves, their abilities, their personality, and the world.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. List the courses you have taken (and final grade earned) that you feel have addressed this standard.

Course #	Course Name	Instructor	Grade	Ck

2. Check (ck) above the one course that best enabled you to understand the concepts in this standard.
 - Attach a graded work sample from this class.
 - Attach a syllabus from this class. Highlight where the work sample appears in the syllabus.
 - Note that you can use one course for more than one standard; however, you can only use your graded work sample once.
3. Write a 150-200 words essay (typed, double-spaced, and in 12-point font) that addresses the questions listed below.
 - a. Why did you choose this particular course as your example? (Demonstrate that you understand the content and concepts contained in the standard. Show clearly how the course relates to the standard.)
 - b. How does your work sample show that you understand this standard? (Demonstrate the sample's relationship to the standard.)