

CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.)

The Child & Family Studies major offers three concentrations: Child Development, Family Studies, Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education

The Child Development concentration prepares graduates to teach or direct early childhood programs (birth through age 8). Career opportunities include Head Start, profit or non-profit child care/agencies, and family resource centers.

To be granted a degree in Child and Family Studies students must have a "C" or better in all CDF and supporting courses.

Program Objectives

Upon completion of a degree in Child and Family Studies graduates will be able to:

1. Assess developmental, political, social, cultural, economic and technological influences on the well-being and diversity of individuals, families and communities
2. Design and implement a range of services for individuals, children and families
3. Utilize and interpret appropriate individual, family and program evaluation measures
4. Access community resources and collaborate with community agencies/services
5. Evaluate and monitor professional development

Program Requirements

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Major

Code	Title	Hours
University Graduation Requirements		
General Education (http://catalogs.eku.edu/undergraduate/general-academic-information/general-education-requirements/)		36
<i>Foundations of Learning</i>		
GSD 101	Foundations of Learning	3
Upper division courses (42 hrs. distributed throughout Major/Supporting/Gen Ed/Free Electives categories)		
Major Requirements		
Core Courses		45
CDF 132	Introduction to the Family	3
CDF 235	Child Development: Conception-Eight Years	3
CDF 236	Interaction and Guidance	3
CDF 246	Creative Activities and Materials for Young Children	3
CDF 327	Family Involvement with Young Children	3
CDF 360	Consumer and Career Finance	3
CDF 399	Child and Family Studies Practicum	6
CDF 424	Diversity Awareness Prof Prac	3
CDF 437	Family Stress and Resilience	3
CDF 538	Research Analysis in Child and Family Studies	3

FCS 400	Ethics and Advocacy in Family and Consumer Sciences	3
NFA 317	Nutrition in the Life Cycle	3
SWK 440	Addictions	3
SWK 456	Children's Services	3

Concentrations	
Students must select one of the following Concentrations:	
Child Development	36
Family Studies	24
Free Electives	
Child Development	0
Family Studies	12
Total Hours	120

Child Development Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
Concentration Courses		
CDF 203	Philosophical & Historical Foundations of the EC Profession	3
CDF 310	Observation and Assessment in ECE	3
CDF 363	Early Childhood Literacy	3
CDF 405	Program Planning for Infants and Toddlers	3
CDF 450	Early Childhood Practicum ¹	9
CDF 512	Childhood & Nature	3
CDF 544	Early Childhood Development and Program Planning	3
CDF 547	Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs	3
LIB 301	Children's Literature and Related Materials	3
SED 318	Special Education in Early Childhood	3
Total Hours		36

¹ CDF 450 Early Childhood Practicum is a 9 credit hour course and requires a 3.0 GPA in major requirements prior to enrolling.

Family Studies Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
Concentration Courses		
CDF 232	Human Sexuality, Behavior, and Attitudes	3
CDF 243	Introduction to Family Life Programs	3
CDF 331	Marriage and Intimate Relationships	3
CDF 342	Child and Adolescent Development	3
CDF 441	Family Dynamics in Adulthood and Aging	3
FRM 352	Family as Consumers	3
HEA 345	Drugs, the Individual, and Society	3
or SWK 310	Social Welfare Policy History	
HEA 380	Mental Health Promotion	3
or SWK 420	Mental Health in Social Work	
Total Hours		24

G Course also satisfies a General Education element. Hours are included within the 36 hours in General Education.