

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHILD & FAMILY STUDIES AND SOCIAL SERVICES

The Bachelor of Science in Child & Family Studies and Social Services is concerned with the scientific study of human behavior and relationships from a systemic approach. Child & Family Studies and Social Services students will develop knowledge of human development, therapeutic models, and research within the helping profession. Majors will utilize a systemic approach in understanding the interconnectedness of the individual, family and other subsystems that form and maintain the broader community. Students will explore the impact of Christianity on the helping profession and learn the importance of integrating faith within the social services field. This degree is designed for students preparing for graduate school and for careers in the helping profession, including social work, marriage and family therapy, counseling, community development, and missions. Upon completion of this degree,

- Students will show the ability to use systems theory and the sociological perspective for enhancing insight into social relationships of both a personal and professional nature.
- Students will demonstrate intellectual competence in behavioral theories, therapeutic models, research and helping skills within the fields of Counseling, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Social Work.
- Students will demonstrate a practical understanding of the integration of Faith and the helping profession.
- Students will know core competencies that will promote success in graduate school or within a related child and family studies and social services center.

General Education Requirements (45 hrs)

Biblical World (6hrs)

The Biblical Story	3 hrs
The Christian Worldview.....	3 hrs

The Cultural World (15 hrs)

English Composition I & II.....	6 hrs
World Literature I or II	3 hrs
Humanities Elective (choose two)	6 hrs
<i>(any appreciation course, philosophy, or speech)</i>	

The Social World (9 hrs)

American History & Politics.....	3 hrs
<i>(US History Before or Since 1865 or American Govt)</i>	
The West & Global Cultures.....	3 hrs
<i>(Western Civ I or II or World Geography)</i>	
General Psychology	3 hrs

The Natural World (15 hrs)

Health & Physical Education	4 hrs
<i>(one hour must be physical activity)</i>	
One Science w/Lab	4 hrs
College Algebra	3 hrs
<i>(Intermediate Algebra may be required if ACT Math score is less than 19)</i>	
Statistics	4 hrs
<i>(Successful completion of College Algebra required before enrolling in this course)</i>	

Electives (28 hrs)

Child & Family Studies and Social Services majors are required to take 28 hrs of courses outside the FS prefix.

Specialization Requirements (48 hrs)

Intro to Sociology	3 hrs
Principles for Counseling Intervention.....	3 hrs
Integration of Faith & the Healing Profession.....	3 hrs
Social Work & the Strength Based Approach	3 hrs
Marriage & Family Life.....	3 hrs
Family Crises and Resiliency	3 hrs
Foundations & Principles of Family Systems	3 hrs
Family Systems II.....	3 hrs
Critical Concerns with Adolescents.....	3 hrs
Group Dynamic & Experiential Education.....	3 hrs
Attachment & Emotional Intelligence	3 hrs
Working with the Traumatized Child	3 hrs
Family Life Education	3 hrs
Experimental Research	3 hrs
Child & Family Studies Electives.....	6 hrs

Choose from the following:

Abnormal Psychology

Child Development

Adolescent Development

Adult Development and Aging

Social Psychology

Substance Abuse

Total Required Hours: 120