

Family Services B.A.

Family Services Major

The B.A. Family Services major requires a minimum of 120 total hours to graduate. This total includes UNIFI/General Education requirements and the following specified major requirements, plus electives to complete the minimum of 120 hours.

Required

FAM SERV 1020	Family Relationships	3
FAM SERV 1055	Lifespan Development	3
or another developmental course or PSYCH 2202		
FAM SERV 1140	Exploring Family Diversity	3
FAM SERV 2060	Strategies and Issues in Family Services	3
FAM SERV 2030	Research Methods in Family Science	3

OR 3 hours social science research methods (or other courses as approved by department):

PSYCH 3002	Research Methods	
SW 3185	Social Work Research	
CM CORE 2020	Communication Research Methods	
COMM 4021/5021	Quantitative Research Methods	
SOC 2010	Research Methods	
FAM SERV 4178	Program Development and Implementation	3
FAM SERV 4190	Professional Practice in Family Services	3

Senior Experience (Choose Option A or B) 6

Option A

FAM SERV 4195 Internship in Family Services

Option B:

Additional 6 credits of FAM SERV courses

Electives 12

Students may choose to complete requirements for a certificate, or take 4 FAM SERV courses

Option 1: Complete Family Development Certificate (choose 4 of the following)

FAM SERV 1010	Human Identity and Relationships	
FAM SERV 1057	Human Relationships and Sexuality	
FAM SERV 2054	Dating and Couple Relationships	
FAM SERV 3111/5111	Families and End of Life Issues	
FAM SERV 3150/5150	Families, Aging, and Wellbeing	
FAM SERV 3155/5155	Parenting	
FAM SERV 3161/5161	Families, Alzheimer's, and Related Dementias	

PH 2520 Maternal and Infant Health

Option 2: Complete requirements for Family Flourishing Certificate

FAM SERV 1210 The Creative Experience

FAM SERV 2403 The Science and Experience of Human Flourishing

Choose two of the following:

COUN 4100 Introduction to Professional Counseling

FAM SERV 2077 Management of Family Resources

FAM SERV 4157/5157 Human Sexuality Education

FAM SERV 3145/5145 Violence in Intimate Relationships

FAM SERV 3150/5150 Families, Aging, and Wellbeing

FAM SERV 3160/5160 Prevention and Early Intervention Skills

FAM SERV 3162/5162 Family Policy and Advocacy

PH 2620 Stress and Coping

Option 3: Select 12 hours of FAM SERV courses

Total Hours 39

Students must have a 2.40 GPA in order to register for FAM SERV 4195 Internship in Family Services. Students must achieve a minimum of C- (1.67 grade point) in all courses required for the major, including all prerequisites.

Four-Year Plan

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This is a sample plan of study with a suggested sequencing of classes for the major. University electives may be applied to earn additional academic majors, minors, or certificates. Students should regularly meet with their academic advisor to plan their specific semester schedule to include UNIFI/General Education program and/or university elective hours required.

Course	Title	Hour
Freshman		
Fall		
FAM SERV 1010	Human Identity and Relationships	3
FAM SERV 1020	Family Relationships	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
FAM SERV 1055	Lifespan Development	3
FAM SERV 1057	Human Relationships and Sexuality	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Sophomore		
Fall		
FAM SERV 2030	Research Methods in Family Science	3

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FAM SERV 2060	Strategies and Issues in Family Services	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
FAM SERV 1140	Exploring Family Diversity	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		12
Hours		15
Junior		
Fall		
Choose Groups 1-2 major courses		6
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Spring		
Choose from Groups 1-2 major courses		6
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		9
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		
FAM SERV 4190	Professional Practice in Family Services	3
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		12
Hours		15
Spring		
FAM SERV 4178	Program Development and Implementation	3
FAM SERV 4195	Internship in Family Services	9
UNIFI/General Education or University Electives		3
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

Learning Outcomes

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- Students will demonstrate knowledge in understanding families, the development of families and family interpersonal interactions within broader and diverse contexts.
- Students will be able to discover, evaluate, and integrate sources of knowledge.
- Students will be able to assess the strengths, challenges, needs and interaction patterns of families and individuals using major theoretical frameworks in family studies and human development.
- Students will be able to provide education, preventative, and supportive strategies and services to individuals, families and groups.
- Students will demonstrate an understanding of professional codes of behavior and the ability to critically examine ethical questions and issues as they relate to professional practice.

Related Programs

- Family Development Certificate
- Family Flourishing Certificate
- Psychology Minor