CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES

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The Child and Family Studies program emphasizes individual and family well-being across the lifespan through the study of human development and family relationships. The program offers certification in Family Life Education (CFLE) through the National Council on Family Relations and the coursework preparation for certification as a Child Life Specialist through the Child Life Council. Students gain hands-on experience through the Piper Center for Family Studies and Child Development, a NAEYC-accredited lab school.

Admissions Requirements - Child and Family Studies

Students who wish to change their major to Child and Family Studies in the Child Life or Pre-Occupational Therapy concentrations after completing coursework at Baylor may do so during the eligibility period, from the end of a full semester once final grades are posted through the 5th class day of the following term. Students requesting to change their major to Child and Family Studies in the Child Life or Pre-Occupational Therapy concentrations must have a cumulative GPA corresponding to the minimum requirements for their selected track. Transfer students must have a cumulative GPA corresponding to the minimum requirements for their selected track.

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Requirements for a Major in Child and Family Studies

General Education/B.S. Degree Requirements

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Child and Family Studies majors must complete the specific requirements noted below to fulfill particular areas of the (https://catalog.baylor.edu/undergraduate/robbins-college-health-human-sciences/human-sciences-design/hhcore requirements. these deviations from the core are concentration-specific:)

Communication and Media Literacy

CFS 3354 Family Life Education and Ethics

Contemporary and Social Issues

Select one course from the following:

SOC 1305 Introduction to Sociology
PSY 1305 Psychological Science: Understanding Human Behavior
CFS 4356 The Family: A Global Perspective
REL 3390 Christian Ethics
ANT 1325 Introduction to Global Health

Fine Arts and Performing Arts

Select 1 course from the (https://catalog.baylor.edu/undergraduate/robbins-college-health-human-sciences/human-sciences-design/hhdfapa/)

Foreign Languages and Cultures

Select 6 credit hours from the (https://catalog.baylor.edu/undergraduate/robbins-college-health-human-sciences/human-sciences-design/hhdfapa/)

Formal Reasoning

Select one course from the following:

MTH 1301 Ideas in Mathematics
PHI 1306 Logic
STA 1380 Elementary Statistics

Research, Writing, and Literature

ENG 1310 Research Writing: Writing and Academic Inquiry Seminars
PWR 3300 Technical Writing

Scientific Method I

Select one course from the following:

BIO 1305 Modern Concepts of Bioscience
BIO 1306 Modern Concepts of Bioscience, continued
& BIO 1106 Modern Concepts of Bioscience Laboratory
BIO 1401 Current Issues in Human Biology
NSC 1306 Introduction to Neuroscience
& NSC 1106 Introduction to Neuroscience Laboratory
CHE 1300 & CHE 1100 Introductory Chemistry
& CHE 1100 Introductory Chemistry Laboratory
CHE 1301 Basic Principles of Modern Chemistry I
& CHE 1101 & CHE 1101 General Chemistry Laboratory I
CHE 1405 Chemistry and Society

Scientific Method II

NUTR 3314 Consumer Nutrition

CFS Major Requirements

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Required Concentration

Choose one of the following concentrations: 36-43


| Total Hours | 66-73 |

1. Students must have 124 total minimum hours. If they have less than 124 total hours after completing their degree requirements, they will need to take additional elective hours as needed to reach the minimum total hours.


3. **Contemporary Social Issues**: CFS 4356 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CFS%204356) The Family: A Global Perspective is NOT an option to fulfill this requirement for Family Life Education Concentration students.


5. **Scientific Method I**: Pre-Occupational Therapy Concentration students MUST take either (1) CHE 1300 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201300) Introductory Chemistry and CHE 1100 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201100) Introductory Chemistry Laboratory; or (2) CHE 1301 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201301) Basic Principles of Modern Chemistry I and CHE 1101 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201101) General Chemistry Laboratory I.

6. **Scientific Method I**: Family Life Education Concentration students may NOT use CHE 1300 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201300) Introductory Chemistry and CHE 1100 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201100) Introductory Chemistry Laboratory to fulfill this requirement.

7. **Scientific Method I**: Child Life Concentration students may NOT take CHE 1405 (https://baylor-test.courseleaf.com/search/?P=CHE%201405) Chemistry and Society to fulfill this requirement.