# Child Life Concentration

The Child Life concentration is designed for students interested in pursuing certification as a Child Life Specialist through the Association for Child Life Professionals in order to pursue certification. Students in the Child Life concentration are encouraged to check with the Child and Family Studies division director related to non-academic requirement for becoming a certified Child Life Specialist.

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**Basic Requirements**

### Chapel
- Complete two semesters of Chapel: 0
- ENG 2310 American Literary Cultures: 3
- HIS 1300 The United States in Global Perspective: 3
- PSC 1387 The U.S. Constitution, Its Interpretation, and the American Political Experience: 3

### Religion
- REL 1310 The Christian Scriptures: 3
- REL 1350 The Christian Heritage: 3

### Communication and Media Literacy
- CFS 3354 Family Life Education and Ethics: 3

### Contemporary and Social Issues
- Select one course from the following: 3
  - CFS 4356 The Family: A Global Perspective
  - SOC 1305 Introduction to Sociology
  - PSY 1305 Psychological Science: Understanding Human Behavior
  - REL 3390 Christian Ethics
  - ANT 1325 Introduction to Global Health

### Fine Arts and Performing Arts
- HSD 1231 Design and Creative Technologies: 2

### Foreign Languages & Cultures
- Select 6-8 hours from the Foreign Language and Cultures Distribution List: 6-8

### Formal Reasoning
- Select one course from the following: 3
  - MTH 1301 Ideas in Mathematics
  - PHI 1306 Logic
  - STA 1380 Elementary Statistics

### Research, Writing & Literature
- ENG 1310 Writing and Academic Inquiry Seminars: 3
- PWR 3300 Technical Writing: 3

### Scientific Method I
- Select one of the following: 4
  - BIO 1306 & BIO 1105 Modern Concepts of Bioscience and Modern Concepts of Bioscience Laboratory

### Scientific Method II
- NUTR 2351 Nutrition: 3
- or NUTR 3314 Consumer Nutrition: 3

### Lifetime Fitness
- Select three semester hours: 3

### Major

#### Child and Family Studies Courses: Child Life Concentration
- CFS 1315 Development of Individual and Family Relationships: 3
- CFS 2355 Child Development: 3
- CFS 2357 Adult Development: 3
- CFS 3304 Introduction to Research: 3
- CFS 3350 Individual and Family Financial Management: 3
- CFS 3356 Theories of Family Development: 3
- CFS 3357 The Preschool Child: 3
- CFS 3358 Infant and Toddler Development: 3
- CFS 3362 Child Life Theory and Practice: 3
- CFS 4191 Professional Practices in Child and Family Studies: 1
- CFS 4358 Planning and Administration of Child and Family Programs: 3
- CFS 4359 Parenting Theory and Approaches: 3
- CFS 4363 Adolescent Development: 3
- CFS 4390 Child and Family Studies Practicum: 3

### Required Courses in Other Fields
- Select 12 semester hours from the following: 12
  - CLA 3381 Medical Terminology
  - PUBH 3320 Stress Management/Mental-Emotional Health
  - PUBH 3325 Maternal and Infant Health or PUBH 4321 Human Sexuality
  - PUBH 4327 Dying and Death Education or SWO 4316 Trauma, Loss, and Mourning

### Professional Electives
- Select one of the following options: 15
  - Option 1
Students will need 50 – 100 volunteer hours of clinical experience, a Child Life practicum, a Child Life Internship, and a passing grade on the Child Life Certification exam to become a Child Life Specialist.

### Total Hours

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