Family & Consumer Sciences

The master's degree in family and consumer sciences creates opportunities for students to develop a deeper and applied understanding of family and human development theory, research methods, and program planning and evaluation. The program is designed to accommodate students who wish to attend graduate school full-time as well as working professionals who require more flexibility. Students may pursue an added endorsement in family and consumer sciences education, designed for students who wish to become licensed to teach Family and Consumer Sciences in grades 5-12. Upon completion of the degree, students are eligible for licensure in the state of Montana. For more information on admission to the Teacher Education Program, student teaching, licensure, professional expectations and more, please visit the Teacher Education Program (http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/education-health-humandevelopment/department-education/#teachereducationprogramtext) section of this catalog. Students pursuing this added endorsement will work with an advisor to determine required courses and specific electives.

Required Courses

CHTH 548	Program Planning and Evaluation	3
Choose one of the following:		
EDCI 501	Educational Statistics I	
HDFS 515	Statistical Approaches to Studying Children, Families and Communities	
HDFS 535	Contemporary Issues in Human Development	3
HDFS 545	Contemporary Family Issues	3
HDFS 598	Internship	3
HHD 501	Research Methods in HHD I	3
HHD 512	Research Methods in HHD II	3
Choose one of the following:		6-10
HDFS 575	Professional Paper and Project (6 cr. required)	
or HDFS 590 Thesis (10 cr. required)		
Electives		9
Total Credits		36-40

Electives

Distance education options

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AC 502	Psychopharmacology and Addictions	3
AC 504	Alcohol and Drug Studies	3
CHTH 405	Caregiving & Aging Families	3
CHTH 430	Mental Health & Social Issues in Aging	3
CHTH 435	Human Response To Stress	3
HDFS 451	Trauma and Recovery: A Lifespan Perspective	3
HDFS 461	Principles Wellbeing in Aging	3
HDFS 465R	Family Law & Public Policy	3
HDFS 572	Professional Practicum	2-6
HDFS 592	Independent Study	1-3
HDFS 598	Internship	2-12
On-campus options		
BMGT 469	Community Entrepreneurship & Nonprofit Management	3
CHTH 428	Health Disparities	3
CHTH 435	Human Response To Stress	3
CHTH 503	Community-Based Participatory Research: Research, Practice, and Policy	3

EDEC 430	Social and Emotional Development in the Young Child	3
EDEC 450	Literacy in the EC Classroom	3
EDM 412	Methods: 5-12 Family Consumer Science	3
HDFS 419	STEAM: Clothing & Textiles Instruction in FCS	3
HDFS 450	Curric Dev in FCS Education	3
HDFS 457	Family Life Education	3
HDFS 460	Parenting	3
HDFS 464	Gender, Race, Class, and Family Diversity	3
HDFS 465R	Family Law & Public Policy	3