## HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY STUDIES: FAMILY STUDIES, BS

*for the degree of Bachelor of Science Major in Human Development & Family Studies, Family Studies Concentration*

*department website: https://hdfs.illinois.edu/
department faculty: Human Development & Family Studies Faculty (https://hdfs.illinois.edu/directory/faculty)*

*overview of college admissions & requirements: Agricultural, Consumer & Environmental Sciences (http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/aces/academic-units)*

*college website: https://aces.illinois.edu/*

Students in the Family Studies concentration focus on how families operate, develop and change in response to the challenges of modern life. Students learn to appreciate the diversity of family life by studying different cultures and how families learn to manage conflict. Graduates with this concentration are qualified to provide many services to couples and families. Career opportunities include family life educator, human resource specialist, caseworker or family service coordinator. Graduates also may choose to pursue graduate education in a variety of fields, including family studies, marriage and family therapy, social work, education, sociology, psychology, law, medicine, or business.

The Family Studies concentration is approved by the National Council of Family Relations (NCFR) for the provisional Certified Family Life Educator credential. Family life education focuses on healthy family functioning within a family systems perspective and provides a primarily preventive approach. The goal of family life education is to teach and foster skills and knowledge to enable individuals and families to function optimally. Within two years after receiving their degree, graduates who have completed the Family Studies curriculum and four elective courses (HDFS 427: Family Adaptation and Resilience, CHLH 206: Human Sexuality, HDFS 401: Socialization and Development, and HDFS 461: Family Life Education) can apply for the Provisional level of the CFLE credential through an abbreviated application process (details available on the NCFR website).

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### Prescribed Core Courses including Campus General Education

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<td>Writing and Research &amp; CMN 101 and Public Speaking (or equivalent) (see college Composition I requirement)</td>
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**Cultural Studies**

Select one of the following:

- STAT 100 Statistics 3-4
- ACE 261 Applied Statistical Methods 4
- CPSC 241 Intro to Applied Statistics 3
- ECON 202 Economic Statistics I 3
- PSYC 235 Intro to Statistics 3
- SOC 280 Intro to Social Statistics 4

**Quantitative Reasoning I**

Select one of the following: 3-5

- STAT 200 Statistical Analysis 3
- CHLH 244 Health Statistics 3
- MATH 220 Calculus 5
- MATH 221 Calculus I 4
- MATH 234 Calculus for Business I 4
- PHIL 103 Logic and Reasoning QR II 3

**Natural Sciences and Technology**

Select from campus approved list. 6

**Humanities and the Arts**

Select from campus approved list. 6

**Social and Behavioral Sciences**

- PSYC 100 Intro Psych 4
- SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology 4

**ACES Required**

- ACES 101 Contemporary Issues in ACES 2

**Human Development and Family Studies Required**

- HDFS 101 Issues & Careers in HDFS 1
- HDFS 105 Intro to Human Development 3
- HDFS 120 Intro to Family Studies 3
- HDFS 220 Families in Global Perspective 3
- HDFS 290 Intro to Research Methods 4
- ACE 161 Microcomputer Applications 3
- ACE 240 Personal Financial Planning 3
- FSNH 120 Contemporary Nutrition or CHLH 10 Contemporary Nutrition 3

Select one of the following: 3

- HDFS 208 Child Fam with Special Needs
- HDFS 221 Asian Families in America
- HDFS 340 Gender, Relationships & Society
- HDFS 341 Asian American Youth
- HDFS 379 HDFS Study Abroad Experience
- HDFS 322 US Latina and Latino Families
- HDFS 444 LGBT Indiv, Fam & Community

Select one of the following: 3-6

- HDFS 206 Early Childhood Curriculum Dev
- HDFS 261 Self-Help Group Dev & Process
- HDFS 294 Research Internship

Coursework at or above the third level is required for graduation.

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**Required Concentration**

See specific requirements for each concentration listed below.

Additional courses must be completed to yield a total of 126 hours for graduation.

**Total Hours**

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