Families are the foundation of society and the public’s health.

The Bachelor of Science in family science trains students to use scientific methods to understand family development and behavior, and address family problems.

You’ll learn to analyze and improve the quality of family life through education, applied research, policy analysis and human services program management. Our graduates enter diverse career fields where they address family issues such as parenting, personal and family finance, family decision-making, adoption, child and domestic abuse, mental health, elder care, physical wellness and family support.

Our department is a campus leader in promoting sensitivity to gender, class, religious, disability and cultural issues. Diversity issues are a focus both inside and outside the classroom.

Family Science courses include:

- Couple Relationships
- Personal and Family Finance
- Violence in Families
- Poverty, Affluence and Families
- Legal Aspects of Family Problems
- Adulthood and Aging in Families
- Maternal, Child and Family Health
- Family Crisis Intervention

In addition to a required internship, you can take advantage of a wide variety of research opportunities throughout the department.

Want to go even deeper?
Choose our family science honors program and complete an independent honors thesis for a more advanced educational experience.

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“As a Family Science major, I am inspired to be a helper to individuals and families who face a variety of challenges every day. As a part of the FDIC’s WorkLife Program, I am able to put my knowledge and passion into practice every single day by assisting employees and their families in finding a healthy balance between work and home. It is extremely rewarding!”
WHAT WILL YOU DO WITH YOUR FAMILY SCIENCE DEGREE?

ENTRY-LEVEL JOBS

Adoption Coach
Case Manager
Community Developer
Family Support Worker
Health Information Specialist
Research Associate
Rehabilitation Counselor
Service Coordinator
Victims Assistant Specialist

GRADUATE EDUCATION

Our alumni are continuing education in graduate and professional fields such as:
Child and Family Therapy
Social Work
Law
Public Health: Community Engagement
Public Policy
Behavioral Health
Nursing
Physical Therapy
Occupational Therapy
Medicine

WHERE FAMILY SCIENCE GRADS ARE WORKING

(Selected list of employers)

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HOW OUR MAJORS ARE GAINING EXPERIENCE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

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56% of employed alumni received more than one job offer
56% of alumni confirmed their post-graduation plans within one month of graduating