

B.S. General Family and Consumer Sciences

The goal of Family and Consumer Sciences is to prepare individuals for family life, work life, and careers in Family and Consumer Sciences by providing opportunities to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors needed in a diverse global society. Our unique focus is on families, work, and their interrelationships. The program intends:

1. To empower the Family and Consumer Sciences practitioner to make unique contributions to diverse and ever evolving educational, community, and business contexts.
2. To produce Family and Consumer Sciences graduates who will be proficient in the delivery of their subject areas and in subject matter knowledge, as well as those research strategies, which can be used to evaluate curriculum effectiveness.

The Bachelor of Science degree in General Family and Consumer Sciences is designed to provide a strong generalist background in all the content areas included in FCS: Child Development, Family Relations, Clothing and Textiles, Nutrition and Foods, Housing/Interior Design, Consumer Economics, and Management. This degree offers a broad-based curriculum to prepare candidates for a variety of employment settings and non-paid work. FCS is a unique profession whose vision “empowers individuals and families across the lifespan to manage the challenges of living and working in a diverse global society.”

General Education

The listing below includes program requirements that also fulfill General Education requirements.

Code	Title	Credits
Objective 1		6
Objective 2		3
Objective 3		3
Objective 4		6
Objective 5		7
Objective 6		6
Students must fulfill Objective 7 or Objective 8		3
Objective 7		
Objective 8		
Objective 9		3
Total Credits		37

Summary of Requirements for a Bachelor of Science Degree in General Family and Consumer Sciences

Required Courses

Required courses must be taken in the recommended sequence. The candidate must work closely with a Family and Consumer Sciences advisor as early as possible in the program.

Family and Consumer Sciences Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
FCS 1100	Family and Consumer Sciences Professions	1
FCS 2209	Early Childhood Environments	3
FCS 2229	Textile Products	3
FCS 3314	Interior Design and Housing	3

FCS 3332	Methods in Family and Consumer Sciences	3
FCS 4429	Social and Psychological Aspects of Clothing	3
FCS 4431	Family Resource Management	3
FCS 4435	Relationships within Families	3
FCS 4470	Consumer Economics	3
EDUC 2201	Development and Individual Differences	3
EDUC 2204	Families Community Culture	3
NTD 2205 & 2205L	Foods and Meal Management and Foods and Meal Management Lab	4
NTD 2239	Nutrition	3
Total Credits		38

Recommended Electives

Code	Title	Credits
FCS 4471	Advanced Consumer Economics	3
FCS 4472	Teaching Consumer Economics	1-3
ECON 2201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 2202	Principles of Microeconomics	3
NTD 3312 & 3312L	Quantity Foods and Quantity Foods Laboratory	4
NTD 4439	Sports Nutrition	3
CTE 4444	Career Guidance in Career and Technical Education	3

Minor Coursework

Majors in General Family and Consumer Sciences must have a minor outside the Family and Consumer Sciences program area. The candidate must work closely with a Family and Consumer Sciences advisor concerning selection of this minor. Once the minor is determined, candidates should be advised within the department of the minor emphasis.

Degree Totals

Code	Title	Credits
	Program Admission Requirements	0
	General Education	37
	Major Requirements (w/o General Education)	35
	Upper Division Free Electives	18
	Free Electives	30
Total Credits		120

Major Academic Plan (MAP)