BACHELOR OF ARTS IN FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

The Bachelor of Arts in Family & Consumer Sciences enables a student to specialize in the area of Child & Family Studies. The common core of the program is devoted to students acquiring an understanding of family transitions, diversity, and resource management; sensitivities to the needs and value systems of individuals, families, and groups which vary by age, socioeconomic status, and ethnic identity; and the role expectations of professional family life and community educators.

Mandatory Advising

FCS majors must see an advisor to prepare a Graduation Plan which outlines their individual course sequence. Some major classes may require the plan be presented on the first day of classes. See the department office in Burk Hall, Room 329 for information to include in the advising folder. Students who wish for credits earned at another institution to be accepted in lieu of courses offered for the major at SF State must obtain acceptance from the major advisor and the department chair.

Degree Requirements

A prescribed sequence of courses must be adhered to as some classes are offered only in the fall or spring semesters. All major courses must be passed with a letter grade of C- or better. CR/NC is not allowed.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Family and Consumer Sciences majors will explain and relate the synergistic and integrative nature of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) to the three critical components of its body of knowledge: core concepts, integrative elements, and cross-cutting themes.
2. Students will understand life course development for diverse individuals and families through the use of the human ecosystems theory.
3. Based on life course development, within the context of relevant human ecosystems, students will apply sustainable management of resources, problem solving, decision making, and technical strategies, for the capacity building of individuals, children, families and community vitality.
4. Students will research, evaluate, synthesize and apply their findings to issues and problems that affect the quality of life for individuals, children, families and communities.
5. Students will analyze and evaluate how individual, family and national decisions may impact other countries of the world.
6. Students will apply an integrative, synergistic focus to address critical societal issues.
7. Students will identify and evaluate issues of social responsibility, professional behavior, and ethics.

Assistance to Enhance Writing Competence

Good writing skills are necessary for success in the major. GE Area A2 is required to take FCS 312GW, the beginning of the sequence of upper-division FCS courses, which fulfills the GWAR requirement.

Family and Consumer Sciences (B.A.) — 45 Units

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Electives: Any FINA Department course or another course upon approval of advisor 6

1 Courses needed for the California Child Development Master Teacher & Site Supervisor Permits.

Complementary Studies

Bachelor of Arts students must complete at least twelve units of complementary studies outside of the primary prefix for the major. (Note: Students may not use an alternate prefix that is cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major.)

Students who complete two majors or a major and a minor automatically complete the complementary studies requirement. Students in the Bachelor of Arts in Family & Consumer Sciences major who wish to satisfy the Complementary Studies Requirement with a coherent group of courses complementary to the major must have the courses approved by an advisor in the major. Consult with a major advisor for assistance.

General Education Requirements

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Students

General Advising Information for Transfer

English course, choose the

*Composition for Multilingual Students: If taking

choose Roadmap D.

For example, if you are taking

students are strongly encouraged to complete these
units before transfer, doing so will provide more flexibility in course
selection after transfer.

SF State Studies

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requirements may be upper or lower division in General
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First-Time Student Roadmap (4 Year)

Find the correct roadmap (A, B, C, or D):

1. Select the row that matches your English Course choice for A2.*
2. Select the column that matches your QR Category (found at your
student center under Math Alert).
3. Click the Roadmap that lines up with your row and column.

For example, if you are taking ENG 104 as your first English course and
your student center math alert says you are QR Category III, you should
choose Roadmap D.

Pathway  QR Cat I/II  QR Cat III/IV
ENG 114  Roadmap A  Roadmap C
ENG 104/ENG 105  Roadmap B  Roadmap D

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admission meet A1, A2, A3, and B4 in the SF State GE pattern. Courses
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For information about satisfying the requirements described in (1) and
(2) above at a California Community College (CCC), please visit http://
www assistir org. Check any geographically accessible CCCs; sometimes
options include more than one college. Use ASSIST to determine:

- Which courses at a CCC satisfy any lower-division major
requirements for this major;
- Which courses at a CCC satisfy CSU GE, US History, and US & CA
Government.

Remedial courses are not transferable and do not apply to the minimum
60 units/90 quarters required for admission.

Additional units for courses that are repeated do not apply to the
minimum 60 units required for upper-division transfer (for example, if
a course was not passed on the first attempt or was taken to earn a
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All Students Must Meet the Transfer Eligibility Requirements Outlined Below for Admission.

For more information, visit the Undergraduate Admissions section.

- Complete 60 or more transferable semester units or 90 or more quarter units
- Earn a college grade point average of 2.0 or better in all transferable courses. Non-local area residents may be held to a higher GPA standard.
- Be in good standing at the last college or university attended
- Complete 30-semester units (45-quarter units) of general education, including four basic skills courses:
  a. One course in oral communication (same as CSU GE Area A1)
  b. One course in written composition (same as CSU GE Area A2)
  c. One course in critical thinking (same as CSU GE Area A3)
  d. One course in mathematics or quantitative reasoning (same as CSU GE Area B4)
- The four basic skills courses and a minimum of 60 transferable semester units (90-quarter units) must be completed by the spring semester prior to fall admission, or by the fall semester prior to spring admission. Earn a "C-" or better grade in each basic skills course.