

MASTER OF ARTS IN FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

The Master of Arts in Family and Consumer Sciences is aimed toward increasing competencies for teaching in high schools, colleges and universities; developing competencies needed in professional roles in business, community services, education and health in the areas of apparel, interiors and dietetics; and developing competencies essential for supervising and administering consumer and family sciences programs. The program also prepares one for further graduate study. Students are expected to observe the general requirements outlined in this *Bulletin* and to consult with a graduate advisor. Requests for an advisor should be directed to the department chair.

Admission to Program

Applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree and a 3.0 GPA with a major in family and consumer sciences, or one of its specializations (apparel, child/family, interior design, nutrition/dietetics). Those without this degree must complete thirty units of prerequisites course work in consumer and family studies/dietetics approved by an advisor and the department chair.

Within these 30 units:

- 3 units must be from outside the student's area of specialization
- 3 units must include CFS 312GW
- a maximum of 6 units may be counted for past professional experience in area of specialization.

Written English Proficiency Requirement

Level One

The GRE (writing component) must be completed prior to application and scores are required to be submitted as part of the application. Admitted students with scores below 4.0 will be conditionally classified and must pass a writing intensive class within the first two semesters in the program to satisfy the university first level writing proficiency requirement.

Level Two

Level Two is demonstrated by completion of CFS 895 or CFS 898.

For the Culminating Experience (CE) and SF State Continuous Enrollment Policy students should view SF State Graduate Division policies (<http://grad.sfsu.edu/>). The Proposal for Culminating Experience, Human Subjects Protocol, and Advancement to Candidacy are due the semester prior to enrolling in CFS 895/CFS 898. Students have one semester grace period after enrolling in CFS 895/CFS 898 to complete their CE. If it is not completed during the semester following enrollment, they must then continually enroll in HSS 499 through the College of Extended Learning until CFS 895/CFS 898 is completed.

Seventy percent of a student's Advancement to Candidacy (ATC) must be at the 700 level or above. Students must make continuous progress toward the completion of the degree. See Graduate Division website for details on policies, procedures and required forms (<http://grad.sfsu.edu/>).

Family and Consumer Sciences (M.A.) – Minimum 30 units Program Requirements (9 units)

COUN 794	Seminar in Research	3
or ISED 797	Seminar in Educational Research	
CFS 700	Seminar: Trends and Issues	3
CFS 710	Family and Consumer Sciences Research Applications	3

Graduate/Upper Division Courses (15 units)

Courses in family and consumer sciences selected upon approval of graduate major advisor

CFS 728	Children and Families with Violence, Abuse, and Neglect	3
CFS 743	Sustainability in the Textile, Housing, and Food Industries	3
CFS 761	Advanced Apparel Design Problems	3
CFS 769	Visual Merchandising and Promotion	3
CFS 863	Seminar in Social Entrepreneurship	3
CFS 881	Internship	3
CFS 891	Directed Readings in Family and Consumer Sciences/Dietetics	3
CFS 899	Independent Study	2-4
DFM 751	Seminar in Nutritional Assessment Across the Lifespan	3
DFM 755	Seminar in Human Nutrition and Metabolism	3
DFM 758	Seminar in Foodservice and Nutrition Program Management	3
DFM 785	Seminar in Medical Nutrition Therapy	3
DFM 881	Internship in Dietetics (limit 6 units)	6
CFS 898	Master's Thesis	3
or CFS 895	Field Study	

Electives (6 units)

Selected upon approval of graduate major advisor