FAMILY SCIENCE AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT MAJOR, FAMILY SERVICES CONCENTRATION (B.A.)

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Family Science and Human Development prepares students for careers working with youth and families in various settings. A major in Family Science and Human Development may be for you if you answer yes to any of the following questions:

- Are you curious about the way children and adults grow and develop?
- Have you wondered about how environmental and social factors affect physical, cognitive, and emotional development?
- Are you interested in learning more about specific stages of human development such as infancy, childhood, adolescence, and aging?
- Would you like to work with hospitalized children to help reduce the stress of medical treatment on them and their families?
- Have you ever thought about a career in family counseling, working with youth in various settings, working with older adults, or teaching at the preschool or elementary grades level?

Graduates from the program work in a variety of human service settings. These include family and community services; youth service organizations; health care settings; juvenile and adult corrections; family courts system; long term care facilities; and early childhood, elementary, and parent education programs. This degree also provides students with the educational background they need to pursue graduate study in a variety of areas.

The Family Services concentration emphasizes the study of the family. Students learn about family development, relationships, dynamics, functioning, health, and resource management. They examine the various cultural, community, and socioeconomic contexts in which families function and study interventions used to support families. The concentration combines family research and theory with application in a variety of human services organizations and community agencies.

Program Requirements

Students must complete 42 credits of General Education requirements (http://catalog.montclair.edu/undergraduate-graduate-degree-requirements/general-ed-ba-bs) and 3-9 credits of World Languages and Cultures Requirements (http://catalog.montclair.edu/undergraduate-graduate-degree-requirements/world-languages-cultures-requirement).

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Family Services Required Courses

- FSHD 141 Interpersonal Relations 3
- FSHD 214 Child Development I 3
- FSHD 409 Internship 9

Major Electives

Select any 9 credits in the Family Science and Human Development department

Required Collaterals

- PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychology 3

Elective Collaterals

Select 9 credits from one of the following areas of emphasis by advisement:

- African-American Studies (see African-American Studies minor for course list)
- Arabic Studies (see Arabic Studies minor for course list)
- Asian Studies (see Asian Studies minor for course list)
- Child Advocacy-Social Work (any undergraduate CHAD or SOWK courses)
- Entrepreneurship (any undergraduate ENTR courses)
- Gender, Sexuality and Women’s Studies (any undergraduate GLQS or WMGS courses)
- Jewish-American Studies (see Jewish-American Studies minor for course list)
- Justice Studies (any undergraduate JUST or PALG courses)
- Latin-American and Latino Studies (see Latin-American and Latino Studies minor for course list)
- Political Science and Law (any undergraduate POLS or LAWS courses)
- Psychology (any undergraduate PSYC courses)
- Public Health (any undergraduate HLTH courses)
- Sociology (any undergraduate SOCI courses)

Total Credits 54