Focus on helping children, families and vulnerable populations navigate family dynamics and social well-being with a degree option in Child and Family Services. Study people, their relationships and their impact on the world and prepare for career opportunities that encompass intervention, prevention and regulatory services. The program offers psychological theory and undergraduate research opportunities. With several degree specializations and 21 credits of customizable coursework, you can choose a personalized professional path leading to a career with non-profits, community organizations, family life education groups, child protective services, skilled nursing or assisted living facilities and child care programs. You can also use your study of people and relationships as a strong foundation for graduate and professional study in medicine, allied healthcare, law, counseling, research and social work.

OVERVIEW

- Integrated internship experience empowers application of classroom knowledge to the “real-world” helping profession of your choice.
- 21 credits of customizable coursework provides flexibility to personalize the degree with prerequisites for pre-professional tracks to law, medicine and allied healthcare programs.
- 3+3 early admission to law school option allows completion of bachelor’s and a law degree in six years.
- Service-learning project allows you to advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

NOTABLE NUMBERS

- 21 credit hours of customizable coursework allows you to incorporate your individual career plans.

STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

As a future physician, I believe a patient’s history, background and development is vital for success in holistic patient care. All of these factors tie back into the Child and Family Services program. Being able to work with and learn about a wide range of children and families and how every individual is unique has truly been an advantage. With my knowledge and understanding, now I am confident I can provide quality care to a wide range of individuals in need.

- Alicia Johnson, Child and Family Services graduate
# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE
## CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES
(122 total credit hours)

## SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN OF STUDY

### FALL
- Composition I*
- Humanities Course*
- American History*
- First Year Seminar
- Introduction to Human Development and Family Science
- Lifespan of Human Development

### SPRING
- Composition II*
- Math Course*
- American Government*
- Human Nutrition
- Speech Communication*

### FALL
- Statistics*
- Human Sexuality and the Family
- Relationship Development and Marriage
- General Education Course
- Science Course*

### SPRING
- Developmental Disabilities
- Professional Skills in Human Services
- Humanities Course*
- Controlled Electives (6 Hours)

### FALL
- Technical Writing
- Adolescent Development
- Family Dynamics
- Parenting
- Controlled Elective (3 hours)

### SPRING
- Infant and Child Development
- Research Methods
- Controlled Electives (9 hours)

### FALL
- Successful Aging
- Family Life Education
- Policy, Law and Advocacy
- Pre-Internship
- Critical Issues in HDFS
- Controlled Elective (3 hours)

### SPRING
- Internship in Child and Family Services I
- Internship in Child and Family Services II
- Family Risk and Resilience
- Family Resource Management
- General Education Course*

### NOTES
- 16 hrs.
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- 16 hrs.

* Suggested for students seeking concurrent, dual credit or Advanced Placement (AP) course options to apply directly to this degree plan. Refer to the OSU Transfer Credit Guide and Credit By Exam Guide for specific course information online at okstate.edu.

## RELATED MINORS AND CERTIFICATES
- Pre-Counseling
- Gerontology
- Public Health
- Law and Legal Studies
- Social Justice

Minors are designed to enhance and complement a major field of study. They are not required, and additional courses may need to be added to the plan above.

## PROSPECTIVE STUDENT SERVICES
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