FAMILY, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SCIENCES

This social science major prepares students to address predictable human developmental changes, unpredictable events such as natural disasters, and persistent problems such as poverty and nutrition.

Family, Youth and Community Sciences students study sociology, psychology, and economics as well as advanced topics in youth, family, and community development.

About this Program

• **College:** Agricultural and Life Sciences (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL)
• **Degree:** Bachelor of Science
• **Credits for Degree:** 120
• **Additional Information**
• **Related Family, Youth and Community Sciences Programs**

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

This interdisciplinary applied social science program provides the general and technical education necessary for graduates to enter careers in human services, including public, private, nonprofit and for-profit organizations. This includes family life education, youth development, human services, community development and extension education. Students receive the training needed to understand and help youth, families and communities by taking foundation courses in sociology, psychology and economics as well as advanced courses in youth, family and community development.

Students must earn a minimum grade of C in all critical-tracking courses, 3000/4000-level core courses and specialization elective, which must be at the 3000/4000-level. A 2.5 GPA in the core courses is required for graduation.

Related Family, Youth and Community Sciences Programs

• Combined Degree (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/combined-degrees)
• Family, Youth and Community Sciences minor (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/FYC_UMN)
• Family Life Education certificate (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/colleges-schools/UGAGL/AGL_UCT04)

Critical Tracking

Critical Tracking records each student’s progress in courses that are required for entry to each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida Common Course Prerequisites (http://www.flvc.org/cpp/displayRecord.jsp?cip=190707&track=01) may be used for transfer students.

Course Title Credits
Semester One
BSC 2005 & 2005L Biological Sciences and Laboratory in Biological Sciences 4
IDS 1161 What is the Good Life (Gen Ed Humanities) 3
State Core Gen Ed Composition (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext); Writing Requirement 3
Elective 3
Semester Two
Select one: 3-4
MAC 1147 Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry (State Core Gen Ed Mathematics (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext))
MAC 1140  Precalculus Algebra (State Core Gen Ed Mathematics (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext))  3
MAC 1105  Basic College Algebra (State Core Gen Ed Mathematics (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext))  3
SYG 2000  Principles of Sociology  3

Electives  6
Gen Ed Physical Sciences  3

Semester Three
Select one:  3-4
AEB 2014  Economic Issues, Food and You (Critical Tracking)  3
ECO 2023  Principles of Microeconomics (Critical Tracking)  3
ECO 2013  Principles of Macroeconomics (Critical Tracking: Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)  3
AEC 3030C  Effective Oral Communication or SPC 2608  3
PSY 2012  General Psychology (Critical Tracking: Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)  3
Gen Ed Composition  3
State Core Gen Ed Humanities (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext)  3

Credits  15-16

Semester Four
Select one:  3
AEC 3033C  Research and Business Writing in Agricultural and Life Sciences (Writing Requirement)  3
ENC 2210  Technical Writing  3
STA 2023  Introduction to Statistics 1 (Critical Tracking: Gen Ed Mathematics)  3
Gen Ed Biological or Physical Sciences  3
Electives  4

Credits  13

Semester Five
FYC 3001  Principles of Family, Youth and Community Sciences (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences)  3

Select one:  3
FYC 3101  Parenting and Family Development  3
SYG 2430  Marriage and Family (Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Sciences and Diversity)  3
FYC 3201  Foundations of Youth Development  3
FYC 4622  Planning and Evaluating Family, Youth and Community Science Programs  3
Minor or Specialization  3

Credits  15

Semester Six
FYC 3401  Introduction to Social and Economic Perspectives on the Community  3
FYC 3112 or FYC 4212  Contemporary Family Problems and Interventions or Contemporary Youth Problems and Solutions  3
FYC 4801  Applied Social Research Methods  4

FYC course  3

Summer After Semester Six
FYC course  3
Minor or Specialization  3

Credits  6

Semester Seven
Select one:  3
FYC 3112  Contemporary Family Problems and Interventions  3
FYC 4212  Contemporary Youth Problems and Solutions  3
FYC 4126  Urban and Rural America in Transition  3
FYC 4931  Family, Youth, and Community Sciences Professional Development  3

FYC course  3
Specialization elective (3000/4000 level)  3
Minor or Specialization  3

Credits  15

Total Credits  120

Specialization electives must be at the 3000/4000 level and students must attain minimum grades of C.

Academic Learning Compact

This major takes an interdisciplinary approach to the applied social sciences and prepares students for a career in professions that strengthen families, children, youth and communities. Students’ knowledge and skills will be developed through foundation courses in sociology, psychology and economics; through advanced courses in family, youth and community development; and through specialized courses in prevention and intervention. Students will be able to evaluate strategies, integrate knowledge of ethical standards and use professional skills for handling contemporary problems.

Before Graduating Students Must

- Pass an exam on fundamental concepts given as part of FYC 4931.
- Achieve minimum grades of C in AEC 3030C and AEC 3033C. These courses are graded using rubrics developed by a faculty committee.
- Complete a final project in FYC 4931, including a written report and oral presentation.
- Complete the practicum course FYC 4941 with performance evaluations completed by agency supervisors.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

1. Apply the guiding framework of human ecology and other related theories to contribute to positive outcomes for diverse families, youth and communities at home and abroad.
2. Apply strategies for prevention and intervention in contemporary family, youth and community problems and issues.

**Critical Thinking**
3. Apply current research findings relevant to families, youth and communities.
4. Integrate professional skills, ethical standards and knowledge needed to participate in and to provide leadership in civic and professional life.

**Communication**
5. Create, interpret and analyze written text, oral messages and multimedia presentations used in agricultural and life sciences and in family, youth and community sciences.

**Curriculum Map**
*I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed*

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**Assessment Types**
- Group project
- Research project
- Exams
- Papers
- Student practicum
- Self-assessment