

Child and Family Studies

GENERAL EDUCATION STUDIES 57 Hours

General Education: 14 hours

COM 1143 Fundamentals of Speech Communication
ENG 1113 Composition and Rhetoric I
ENG 1123 Composition and Rhetoric II
3 hours from the following:
ENG 2233 American Literature I
ENG 2243 American Literature II
ENG 2273 Introduction to Literature

GES 1122 Strategies for Student Success

Social/Behavioral Sciences: 9 hours

GOV 2213 National and State Government
3 hours from the following:
HIS 1113 American History I
HIS 1123 American History II
PSY 1153 Introduction to Psychology

Natural Science/Mathematics: 6 hours

BIO 1113 Biological Science
3 hours from the following:
MTH 1113 College Mathematics
MTH 1123 College Algebra

Physical Education: 4 hours

PED 2232 Wellness and Lifestyle
2 hours from activity courses without duplication: PED 1101-2291

General Biblical Studies: 24 hours

BIB 1143 The Church in Mission
BIB 2213 Bible Study
CMN 2213 Foundations of Church Ministries
REL 1133 Authentic Christianity
REL 1153 New Testament Literature
REL 1163 Old Testament Literature
THE 2113 Introduction to Theology and Apologetics
THE 2333 Pentecostal Doctrine and History

The Child and Family Studies major exists to train students for a variety of professional roles focused upon caring for the needs of children and families. This degree is designed for those who will work in settings such as hospitals, hospice agencies, community organizations, camps for children with special needs, children's homes, orphanages, foreign countries, and a wide variety of community and professional organizations which focus on children and families. During this program of studies students will engage significant field experiences.

Upon completion of this program, students will:

1. Articulate a foundational understanding of societal issues, life difficulties, and special needs faced by children and families, as well as various strategies of care and advocacy needed to help them.
2. Demonstrate the ability to create and direct programs that include: help and resources for parents to raise and teach their children; opportunities for family members to support each other through difficulties; and intergenerational efforts to facilitate community.
3. Successfully participate in Child and Family programs through practicums in which they gain

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MAJOR STUDIES 45 Hours

CFM 2143 Perspectives of Children and Family Ministries
CFM 3143 Issues in Childhood and Family Life
CFM 4143 Family Life and Parenting
COU 2113 Counseling Families Through the Life Cycle
COU 2123 Introduction to Counseling
COU 2213 Counseling Children and Adolescents
ECE 1113 Foundations of Early Childhood Education
ENG 3113 Children's Literature
HDV 2123 Child and Adolescent Growth and Development - or -
PSY 2323 Developmental Psychology
SOC 2253 Marriage and Family Relationships
SWK 2233 Abuse and Neglect

Internship: 12 hours

CFM 3123 Creative Methods for Communicating to Children
CFM 3133 Spiritual Formation of Children
CFM 4123 Reaching Children in Unique Contexts
CFM 4183 Children and Family Practicum

GENERAL ELECTIVES 24 Hours

Students pursuing certification as Child Life Specialists must complete CFM 3153 The Hospitalized Child and CFM 4999 Child Life Clinical Internship (9 hours).

Students are encouraged to use elective credits to complete an Associate's degree or a minor in various fields such as Addictions Counseling, Criminal Justice, Intercultural Studies, or Youth and Student Ministries. The CFS degree includes a minor in Children and Family Ministries. A minor in Marriage and Family Counseling is also obtainable by including COU 3113 and COU 4413 among the chosen General Electives.

TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS 126 Hours

Additional Program Stipulations

1. All full-time students are to include one Bible, theology, or religion course each semester until degree requirements have been satisfied.
2. First-year students enrolled full-time are to include GES 1122 in their first semester schedule.
3. First-year students are to enroll in activity physical education courses each of their first two semesters at SAGU. Exceptions will be granted only with approval of the College Dean.