



Family Studies Emphasis Areas



The following is a list of suggested courses in completing an emphasis in conjunction with a Family Studies major.

Social Work

SW 1010 Intro to Generalist Social Work
SW 2100 Human Behavior & the Social Environment
SW 3500 Social Welfare & Gerontological Policy Development & Service
SW 3900 Social Work Methods, Values & Ethics
NOTE: This does track does not lead to licensing (see below).

Social Work License

If you have a bachelor's degree in a field other than social work you must complete the required 2,000 hours of experience under the supervision of a mental health therapist and have completed 3 semester hours of course work from a university or college in EACH of the following areas: social welfare policy, human growth and development, and social work practice methods. To view a list of acceptable courses in these subjects available at Utah schools, go to www.dopl.utah.gov or contact DOPL at doplbureau3@utah.gov or 801-530-6628.

Business

Must have 6 credit hours of upper division:

BSAD 3000 Small Business Management
BSAD 3200 Legal Environment of Business
IST 3110 Info Technology in Business
AND

Must have 6 credit hours of the following:

ACTG 2010 Survey of Accounting
ACTG 2020 Survey of Accounting II
BSAD 1010 Intro to Business
ECON 2010 Principles of Microeconomics
ECON 2020 Principles of Macroeconomics
FIN 1010 Personal Finance

Child Life Specialist

Steps to Become a Child Life Specialist:

1. Earn a Baccalaureate Degree (Family Studies and Child Development Recommended). Complete additional courses (see below).
2. Apply for and complete a minimum of 480 hours of child life clinical experience under the direct supervision of a Certified Child Life Specialist.
3. Pass the Child Life Professional Certification Examination

In addition to completing a degree in Family Studies/Child Development at Weber State University, it is strongly recommended that you complete two courses in Child Life at the University of Utah. The recommended courses include:

FCS 5311: Childhood Healthcare:
Development & Family Issues
FCS 5312: Childhood Healthcare:
Intervention Skills & Techniques

Read the Child life Candidate manual for more detailed information on the certification process:
www.childlife.org/files/CandidateManual.pdf



Family Studies Graduate School Areas



The following is a suggested list of courses to complete in preparation for graduate studies in the following areas in addition to a Family Studies degree:

Marriage & Family Therapy

PSY SS1010 Introductory Psychology
PSY 3010 Abnormal Psychology
PSY 3430 Theories of Personality
PSY 3600 Statistics in Psychology
PSY 4310 Introduction to Counseling Theories
Plus one additional related Psychology course.

The **American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy** has an excellent website, www.aamft.org that further explains graduate studies in MFT and lists accredited programs.

School Counseling

PSY 1010 Intro to Psychology
PSY 3600 Statistics in Psychology
PSY 3010 Abnormal Psychology
PSY 3430 Theories of Personalities
PSY 3020 Child and Adolescent Psychopathology

The **American School Counselor Association** has an excellent website, <http://www.schoolcounselor.org/> that further explains graduate studies in this field.

Master of Social Work

SW 1010 Intro to Generalist Social Work
SW 2100 Human Behavior & the Social Environment
SW 3500 Social Welfare & Gerontological Policy Development & Service
SW 3900 Social Work Methods, Values & Ethics
PSY 3600 Statistics in Psychology

The **National Association of Social Workers** has an excellent website, <http://www.naswdc.org/> that further explains graduate studies in this field.