Students in the department of Child and Family Studies gain insights into the physical, intellectual, moral, social and emotional development of children, adults and families. Graduates take with them a thorough understanding of family relations, interpersonal relations, management and personal finance. They are able to create environments that enhance human potential and offer restorative assistance to those in need.

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- Early Childhood
- Early Childhood Education (K-3)
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Weber State's Early Childhood Education Program has built the foundation of my teaching philosophy. I developed a passion for teaching children with developmentally appropriate methods; and for using respectful and accountable guidance techniques. I will forever be thankful for my experiences at Weber State!

— Amy Cox, Early Childhood Educator, Riverdale Elementary School

Weber State's Child and Family Studies Faculty provided me with a foundation of knowledge that includes a clearer perception of family systems, human development, and research methodology. Because my professors invited me to learn and conduct research, I was able to gain confidence in my abilities to excel as a Family Scientist and Professor.

— Daniel Hubler, PhD Student in Family Studies at Oklahoma State University

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