

Department of Family Science and Human Development

**College of Education and Human
Services**



Montclair State University

Montclair, New Jersey

The Family Science and Human Development Department

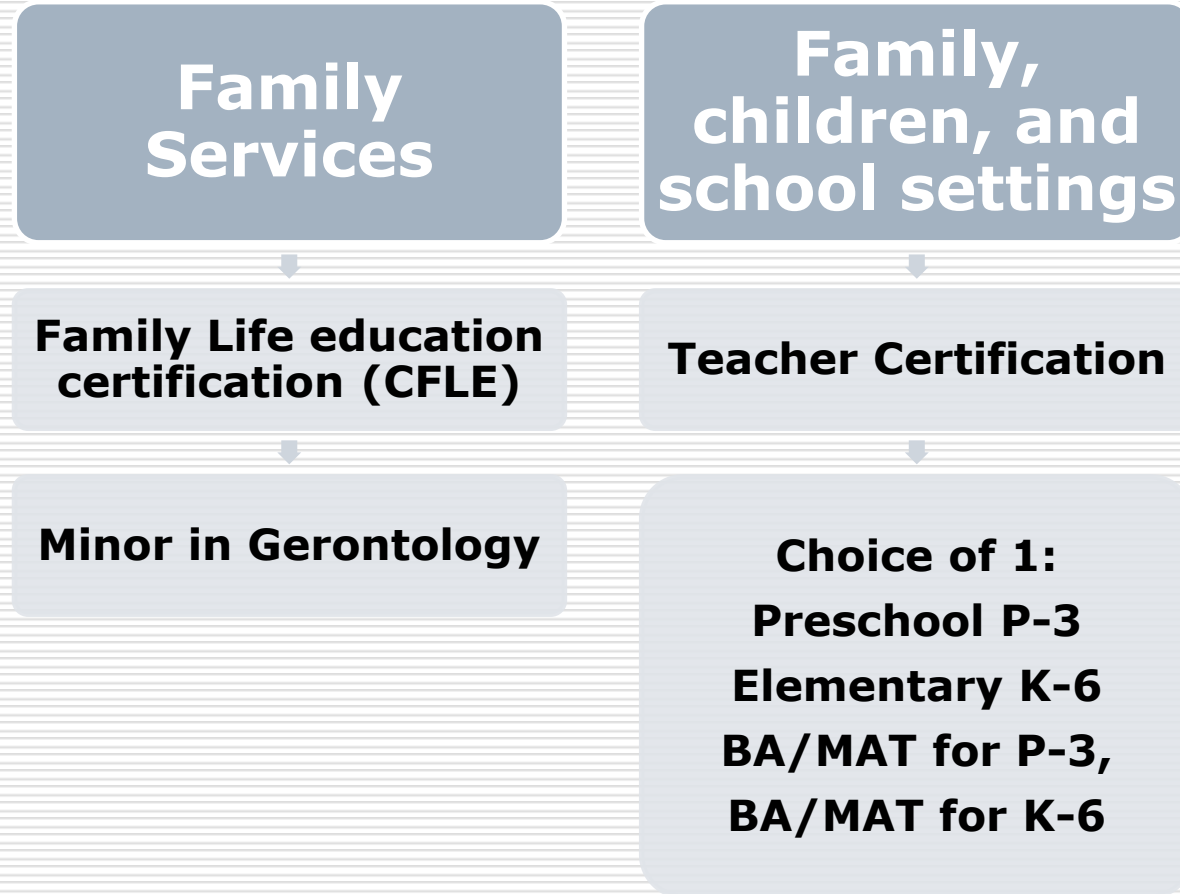
- ...is an interdisciplinary field grounded in Social Sciences
 - teaches you how to understand individuals, families and communities from a holistic point of view
 - an emphasis on social justice, power and diversity
 - hands-on, real-life experiences through internships and fieldwork
 - focuses on understanding people and families in their homes, communities, and society
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Careers and Opportunities

- Our graduates go on to have fulfilling careers supporting children and families where and when they need it the most. For example:
 - **Clinical Coordinator**
 - **Family Life Educator**
 - **Family Support coordinator**
 - **Human Rights Advocate/Activist**
 - **Program planner/developer**
 - **Researcher**
 - **Teacher in Preschool (P-3) or Elementary (K-6)**

 - Our Undergraduate degree is a path to graduate study and careers
For Example:
 - **Creative Art Therapies**
 - **Family Counseling**
 - **Family Policy**
 - **Social Work (MSW)**
 - **Occupational Therapy**
 - **Speech Pathology/Audiology**
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Family Science and Human Development major concentrations (pick 1)



Each concentration has the same components

Core 6 courses & Psyc
101

FSHD Elective(s)

Area specification

Major Course work (all concentrations)

Core Courses

- Intro to Family Science
- Research in Families and Human Development
- Field experience in Family and Human services
- Family Development
- Working with Diverse Families
- Poverty and Families
- AND Psychology 101

FSHD Electives

- Choose 1-3 FSHD electives. 12-15 options are offered each semester, such as:
 - Interpersonal Relations
 - Family Stress and Coping
 - Play Techniques in working with children
 - Sibling Relations
 - Global Families
 - Death and Bereavement in the family
 - And many, many more!!

Area Specifications

Family Services

- Elective Collaterals
 - Choose 3 courses in 1 academic area based on your target career path
- 300 hour Internship in Senior semester

Families, Children, and schools settings

- 2 Child development courses
 - Teacher certification coursework - 11 or more courses
 - Student teaching in professional setting Senior year
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Family Life Education Certification: CFLE (provisional)

- ❑ Only works with **Family Service concentration**
 - ❑ Requires 7 additional courses; BUT be crafty (or go to a crafty advisor)!!
 - Use 3 FSHD electives for these courses
 - Use 3 Elective collaterals for these course
 - This leaves **only 1 additional** course
 - ❑ Must earn C- or better in every major course
 - ❑ Student submits Application, Fee, and transcripts to NCFR
 - ❑ For more info: www.ncfr.org
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Do I need to complete a minor?

NO

- Montclair does not require a Minor for graduation
- Family Science and Human Development does not require a Minor for graduation
- Employers do not require a Minor; most just want to see your GPA
- A Minor may delay graduation! Especially Teacher ed track students

YES

- Graduate schools may require certain courses AND a minor will help you obtain them
 - Speech Pathology
 - Family Law
- You are **PASSIONATE** about another (different) academic area

Department Organizations and Resources



KAPPA OMICRON NU

**National Honor Society
for Human Services**



Established in 1990

The mission of Kappa Omicron Nu is to empower leaders who use an integrative approach to enhance quality of living through excellence in scholarship, leadership, and research.

Kappa Omicron Nu values recognition, reward, advancement, and strong affiliation networks. These ends enhance the ability of the organization and chapters to prepare scholars and researchers as leaders for the 21st century.

Eligibility requirements:

3.0 GPA with a minimum of 45 credits

Nominated by faculty or self; See Dr. Pearl Stewart

Benefits:

Scholarships, Grants, Internships and Fellowships

Nationwide networking opportunities

Local Chapter and National Leadership Opportunities

INDUCTIONS OCCUR EVERY SPRING SEMESTER

FSHD Scholarship Opportunities

Applications in late February



***KATHARINE B. HALL**

Criteria:

To recognize the professional and academic accomplishments of full-time undergraduate prospective senior students majoring in Family Science and Human Development (all concentrations) at MSU with a minimum 3.5 GPA. Preference given to students who are active participants in the activities of the department or members of a professional organization affiliated with their course of study.

***LOIS J. GUTHRIE**

Criteria:

This scholarship will be awarded to a full time undergraduate junior student majoring in Family Science and Human Development (all concentrations) at MSU with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Preference given to students who provide evidence of involvement in community service with families and/or children.

***DORIS RUSLINK**

Criteria:

This scholarship will be awarded to a full time undergraduate student majoring in Family Science and Human Development (all concentrations) at MSU with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Preference given to students who provide evidence of financial need.

***FAMILY SCIENCE AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**

Criteria:

This scholarship will be awarded to a full time or part time undergraduate junior or senior majoring in Family Science and Human Development (all concentrations) at MSU with a minimum 3.3 GPA. Preference given to students who have demonstrated significant contributions in the area of community service with families and/or children.

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