ABOUT MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
Since its founding in 1908, Montclair State University has had a rich history of innovation, distinction, and growth. Montclair State, a vital educational force, is ranked as one of the top universities in the region. Graduates from Montclair State University are well equipped with the skills needed to respond to today’s dynamic environment, as well as future challenges and opportunities.

ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES
With a more than 100-year tradition of excellence and educational leadership, the College of Education and Human Services offers several advantages for those pursuing a graduate education:

• Outstanding and innovative graduate programs in the education and human services fields with nationally recognized faculty and accreditation
• Program faculty and staff dedicated to meeting the unique needs of our graduate population
• Flexible study for both full-time students and working professionals, including weekend, accelerated and web-enhanced course options
• Facilities that are on the cutting edge of learning and technology, including University Hall, the College’s home, and the largest and most sophisticated building in the University’s history.
OVERVIEW
Family and child studies is an interdisciplinary field that teaches you how to understand individuals, families and communities holistically. Our holistic approach incorporates research from psychology, social work, sociology, economics, history, women and gender studies, biology and many other fields. We see each of these fields as providing puzzle pieces and our job in family and child studies is to put all of the pieces together.

STUDENTS IN THE PhD PROGRAM
• Take at least 48 credits including an individually focused area of study
• Learn to integrate research, theory and practice/policy
• Work individually with a faculty member

GRADUATES FROM THE PhD PROGRAM GET JOBS AS:
• Faculty in higher education
• Grant writers
• Government and nonprofit agency directors
• Program administrators
• Researchers and evaluators
• Policy makers

FACULTY EXPERTISE
Our nationally and internationally recognized faculty are known for their expertise in the following areas:
• Prevention, Developmental Systems Science and Translational Science
• Development Across the Lifespan/Life-course
• Close Relationships, Marriage and Family Interactions
• Diversity, Marginalization and Resilience

Faculty interests include:
• Adolescent Development
• Aggression and Bullying
• African American Families
• Aging Families
• Family Transitions
• First-Generation College Students
• Immigrant Families
• Intimate Partner Violence
• LGBT-Headed Families
• Parenting
• Program Development and Evaluation
• Remarriage and Stepfamilies
• Siblings
• Substance Abuse, Depression and Suicide

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
Social justice is a core strength of our PhD program in Family Studies. Our students learn to use a social justice perspective to understand and help strengthen diverse individuals, families and communities through research, policy and prevention and education programming.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
• Master’s degree in a related field (e.g., Counseling, Gerontology, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, Women and Gender Studies)
• Official transcripts
• Official GRE scores
• Statement of Purpose
• Resume/Vita
• Scholarly writing sample
• Three letters of reference

For specific application materials required, please visit montclair.edu/graduate. The annual application deadline for each fall semester is February 1. Applicants are required to complete the online application. The online application may be found at montclair.edu/graduate (click the “Apply Now” button).

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Tuition and fees for the current academic year may be accessed at: montclair.edu/student-accounts/tuition-and-fees/graduate-costs.

Montclair State University offers financial aid, scholarships and graduate assistantships. To obtain financial aid information, contact the Office of Student Financial Aid at 973-655-4461.

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