

FAMILY SCIENCES (B.S.) - CHILD DEVELOPMENT - ONLINE

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Communication & Information Literacy ¹		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
Communications Elective		3
Information Literacy Elective		3
Information Literacy Elective		3
Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful Online Learning	0-3
Math Elective	MATH 114 or higher	3
Critical Thinking ¹		
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview ²	4
Critical Thinking Elective		3
Civic & Global Engagement ¹		
Cultural Studies Elective		3
Social & Scientific Inquiry ¹		
Natural Science Elective		3
Social Science Elective		3
Christianity & Contexts ¹		
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey ²	4
Total Hours		39-42

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

² Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirement of RLGN 104 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirement of THEO 104 waived

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Foundational Courses		
PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology ¹	3
Total Hours		3

¹ Course may fulfill select general education requirements.

Code	Title	Hours
Major Courses		
FACS 203	Introduction to Family Sciences	3

Code	Title	Hours
FACS 205	Development of Contemporary Families	3
FACS 260	Early Childhood I	3
FACS 350	Family Economic Decisions	3
FACS 365	Administration of Family and Child Life Programs	3
FACS 385	Ethical and Legal Issues in Family Sciences	3
FACS 410	Solving Children's Challenging Behaviors	3
FACS 470	Internal Dynamics of Families	3
FACS 491	Family/Consumer Capstone	3
Total Hours		27

Code	Title	Hours
Child Development Cognate		
FACS 261	Early Childhood II	3
FACS 310	Middle Childhood	3
FACS 311	Adolescence	3
FACS 362	Role of Play in Early Childhood Development	3
Total Hours		12

Code	Title	Hours
Free Electives		
Choose 39-42 credit hours of Free Electives ¹		39-42
Total Hours		39-42

¹ May need 3 hours of 300-400 level electives to fulfill upper-level requirements.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- **120** Total hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- **25%** Of major taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Course Sequence

Freshman Year		
First Semester		Hours
BIBL 104	Survey of Old and New Testament	4
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
RLGN 104	Christian Life and Biblical Worldview	4
UNIV 104	Instructional Technology for Successful Online Learning	0-3
Communications Elective ¹		3
Hours		14-17

Second Semester		
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey	4
Cultural Studies Elective ¹		3
Information Literacy Elective ¹		3

Math Elective ¹	3
Social Science Elective (PSYC 210) ¹	3
Hours	16
Sophomore Year	
First Semester	
Natural Science Elective ¹	3
Critical Thinking Elective ¹	3
FACS 203 Introduction to Family Sciences	3
FACS 205 Development of Contemporary Families	3
Elective ¹	3
Hours	15
Second Semester	
Information Literacy Elective ¹	3
FACS 260 Early Childhood I	3
FACS 261 Early Childhood II	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Hours	15
Junior Year	
First Semester	
FACS 310 Middle Childhood	3
FACS 311 Adolescence	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Hours	15
Second Semester	
FACS 350 Family Economic Decisions	3
FACS 362 Role of Play in Early Childhood Development	3
FACS 365 Administration of Family and Child Life Programs	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Hours	15
Senior Year	
First Semester	
FACS 385 Ethical and Legal Issues in Family Sciences	3
FACS 410 Solving Children's Challenging Behaviors	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Hours	15
Second Semester	
FACS 470 Internal Dynamics of Families	3
FACS 491 Family/Consumer Capstone	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Elective	3
Hours	15
Total Hours	120-123

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened before enrolling foundational skills requirements.