

Family and Consumer Sciences Education

Department Information

- **Department Location:**
Katherine Kilbourne Burgum Family Life, 4-H Center
- **Department Phone:**
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- **Department Web Site:**
www.ndsu.edu/education/
- **Degrees Offered:**
B.S.
- **Official Program Curriculum:**
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The family and consumer sciences education (FCSE) program at North Dakota State University has been approved by the State Board for Career and Technical Education for the preparation of family and consumer sciences teachers. The FCSE program is a versatile major due to the preparation of the student as both an educator and a family and consumer scientist. As an educator, the FCSE graduate is prepared to guide a variety of teaching-learning situations. Since education is a people-centered profession, the program focuses on characteristics of various learners or clients, learning principles and different applications of the teaching-learning process. A wide range of strategies for working with individuals or groups is included. Hands-on experience is provided throughout the program to develop the teaching skills learned in classes.

As a family and consumer sciences educator, the FCSE student is prepared with a comprehensive subject matter background. Courses from all areas of family and consumer sciences are included in the program. This contributes to the versatility of the major since the broad range of knowledge may be applied to a wide variety of settings. A graduate of the FCSE program is qualified to teach family and consumer sciences classes in occupational or non-occupational programs, adult programs, or to serve as an extension educator. The FCSE program meets the standards set by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Thus, graduates are readily employable throughout the United States. Student teaching is the culmination of the teaching program. Students have the opportunity to apply knowledge and skills acquired in college courses under the supervision of an experienced family and consumer sciences educator.

Plan of Study

Please note this is a sample plan of study and not an official curriculum. Actual student schedules for each semester will vary depending on start year, education goals, applicable transfer credit, and course availability. Students are encouraged to work with their academic advisor on a regular basis to review degree progress and customize an individual plan of study.

First Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MIS 116	3	COMM 110	3
ENGL 110	4	ENGL 120	3
HD&E 189	1	HDFS 341	3
HDFS 135	3	MATH 104	3
HDFS 230	3	SOC 110	3
PSYC 111	3		
	17		15
Second Year			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ADHM 155 or 101	3	ENGL 358	3
CHEM 117	3	H&CE 469	3
CHEM 117L	1	HDFS 242	3
EDUC 321	3	HDFS 357	3
H&CE 232	3	HNES 141	1
HNES 200	3	HNES 217	3

Complete Praxis Core Academic
Skills Exam

Apply to the School of Education

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Third Year		
Fall	Credits	Spring Credits
ADHM 366	3	ADHM 316 3
EDUC 322	3	ADHM 410 3
H&CE 467	3	EDUC 451 3
HDFS 186	3	H&CE 468 3
HNES 261	3	HDFS 462 3
HNES 261L	2	
	17	15
Fourth Year		
Fall	Credits	Spring Credits
EDUC 486	3	H&CE 483 1
EDUC 489	3	H&CE 487 9
Gen Ed Science & Tech and Global Perspective	3	H&CE 488 3
H&CE 482	3	
HDFS 475	3	
Apply for Student Teaching		
Complete Praxis PLT Exam		
Complete Praxis II Content Exam		
	15	13

Total Credits: 124