

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES



Objectives

The master's program in family and consumer sciences is designed to serve the needs of qualified students preparing for family and consumer sciences careers in business, education, hospitals, industry, government, community agencies, or for entering a doctoral program in family and consumer sciences or a related discipline.

Program Admission Requirements

Admission to the MS degree program in family and consumer sciences requires a baccalaureate degree in Family and Consumer Sciences or an allied area. In addition to entrance requirements for the graduate school, one of the following must be submitted:

- Satisfactory scores on the General Test of the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) OR
- Valid standard educator license

Degree Requirements

The degree plan requires that students choose either the thesis (30 hour to include thesis) or the non-thesis (36 hours) option.

The requirements for these options differ. Students in both options will take comprehensive examinations and complete a graduate portfolio as described in the departmental manual for graduate students.



Core Requirements

FACS 6300 Current Issues in Family and Consumer Sciences
FACS 6335 Evidence-Based Research in Nutrition
FACS 6350 Statistical Methods in Family and Consumer Sciences

Family and Consumer Sciences Courses

The student selects courses from the list below. Up to three hours may be taken from another department if approved by the major advisor.

FACS 5V30 Special Topics (variable credit, 1-3 credit hours)
FACS 5310 Program Development in Family and Consumer Sciences
FACS 6301 History and Philosophy of the FACS Profession
FACS 6303 History of Fashion
FACS 6305 Problems in Consumer Textiles
FACS 6306 Clothing Trends
FACS 6309 Consumer Economics
FACS 6310 Advanced Resource Management
FACS 6311 Readings in Family Relations
FACS 6312 Readings in Child Development
FACS 6320 Directed Study
FACS 6331 Readings in Parent Child Relations
FACS 6332 Readings in Adult Development and Aging
FACS 6341 Urban Development
FACS 6342 Design Methods

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Thesis Research

FACS 6V44 Thesis Research

For additional information about program requirements, please visit the departmental website.

Top 5 reasons to consider the online learning Master of Science in family and consumer sciences degree program at UCA:

1. Graduates are equipped to make substantive change in the well-being of others.
2. Students develop relationships and get the opportunity to network with faculty and fellow students.
3. Qualified faculty teach in specialty areas.
4. Tuition is competitive with other universities' online degrees.
5. Program options make the degree adaptable to specific career and educational goals.



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