

# FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE - CHILD DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY STUDIES

The Child Development and Family Studies program prepares students for employment and promotion in a variety of in-demand helping professions. Our highly trained faculty and instructors provide students with a flexible, student-focused, culturally informed learning environment. Students take a variety of courses focusing on development through the lifespan, applicable systems/ecological-focused theory, professional presentations, and writing.

## PROGRAMS



### DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Science in Child Development and Family Studies
- Child Development Family Studies Minor
- Child, Youth & Family Services Certificate

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Family Consumer Science, Child Development & Family Studies prepares students to work with children, adults and families in a variety of human services, educational, and community settings. With an emphasis on understanding human development and family-related issues, students can receive a Certified Family Life Educator credential and educational and leadership skills to pursue a graduate degree.

## REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



### SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Human Development Skills
- Ethical Decision Making
- Cultural Competency
- Social Skills
- Professional Writing Skills
- Advocacy

### CAREERS

- Early Childhood Teacher
- Assistant Teacher
- Support Staff Specialist
- Youth Coordinator
- Youth Counselor
- Family Service Specialist

### EMPLOYERS

- YWCA/YMCA
- Cultivate Mankato
- Head Start Program
- New Horizon Academy
- Mayo Clinic
- Harry Meyering Center

## INSPIRED ACTION



### EMPLOYMENT RATE

**95.4%**  
of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

[link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up](http://link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up)

### MEDIAN SALARY

**\$55,000**

The median annual wage for Education and Childcare Administrators in May 2022.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Education and Childcare Administrators, at [link.mnsu.edu/fcs-salary](http://link.mnsu.edu/fcs-salary)

### PROGRAM WEBSITE



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