

Bachelor of Science in Child and Family Studies - Child Life

A Suggested Sequence of Required Courses (2023-2024 Catalog)

F r e s h m a n Y e a r

Fall	Spring
_____ 3 CFS 1315 <i>Development of Individual and Family Relationships</i>	_____ 3 CFS 2355 <i>Child Development</i>
_____ 0 CHA <i>Chapel</i>	_____ 0 CHA <i>Chapel</i>
_____ 3 ENG 1310 <i>Writing and Academic Inquiry</i> (Research, Writing and Literature I)	_____ 3 ENG 2310 <i>American Literary Cultures</i>
_____ 1 HSD 1104 <i>New Student Seminar in HSD</i> (NSE)	_____ 3 Formal Reasoning (<i>see options below</i>)
_____ 2 HSD 1231 <i>Design and Creative Technologies</i> (Fine Art and Performing Art)	_____ 3 HIS 1300 <i>The United States in Global Perspective</i>
_____ 3 REL 1310 <i>The Christian Scriptures</i>	_____ 3 REL 1350 <i>The Christian Heritage</i>
_____ 4 Scientific Method I Courses (<i>see options below</i>)	
Total: 16	Total: 15

S o p h o m o r e Y e a r

Fall	Spring
_____ 3 CFS 2357 <i>Adult Development</i>	_____ 3 CFS 3356 <i>Theories of Family Development</i>
_____ 3 Contemporary Social Issues Course (<i>see options below</i>)	_____ 3 CFS 3358 <i>Infant and Toddler Development</i>
_____ 3 NUTR 3314 (Scientific Method II Course)	_____ 3 Child Life Elective Course (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 3 Foreign Language and Cultures	_____ 3 Foreign Language and Cultures
_____ 3 PSC 1387 <i>The U.S. Constitution, It's Interpretation, and the Am Pol Exp.</i>	_____ 3 Professional Elective (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
Total: 15	Total: 15

J u n i o r Y e a r

Fall	Spring
_____ 3 CFS 3362 <i>Child Life Theory and Practice</i> (Fall only)	_____ 3 CFS 4359 <i>Parenting Theory and Approaches</i>
_____ 1 CFS 4191 <i>Professional Practices in CFS</i>	_____ 3 CFS 4363 <i>Middle Childhood and Adolescent Development</i>
_____ 3 CFS 3368 <i>Theory and Principles of Play</i>	_____ 3 Child Life Elective Course (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 3 CFS 3304 <i>Introduction to Research</i>	_____ 3 Child Life Elective Course (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 3 PWR 3300 <i>Technical Writing</i> (Research, Writing and Literature II)	_____ 3 Professional Elective (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 1 Lifetime Fitness* (<i>see note below</i>)	_____ 1 Lifetime Fitness* (<i>see note below</i>)
Total: 14	Total: 16

S u m m e r

_____ 3 CFS 4390 <i>Child and Family Studies Practicum</i>
Total: 3

S e n i o r Y e a r

Fall	Spring
_____ 3 CFS 3354 <i>Family Life Education</i> (Comm and Media Lit) (Fall Only)	_____ 3 CFS 3350 <i>Individual and Family Financial Management</i>
_____ 3 CFS 4358 <i>Planning and Admin. of Child and Family Programs</i>	_____ 3 Professional Elective (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 3 Child Life Elective Course (<i>see reverse for options</i>)	_____ 3 Professional Elective (<i>see reverse for options</i>)
_____ 3 Professional Elective (<i>see reverse for options</i>)	_____ 3 General Elective
_____ 3 General Elective	_____ 2 Elective hours if needed to reach 124 (<i>due to language</i>)
_____ 1 Lifetime Fitness* (<i>see note below</i>)	
Total: 16	Total: 12-14

TOTAL: 124 HOURS (124-126)

*All students must graduate with a minimum of 124 hours,
36 of which must be at the 3000/4000 level.*

Notes about major requirements:

A grade of "C" or better in Human Sciences and Design Courses (ADM, CFS, HSD, ID, or NUTR), Child Life Elective courses, and all professional electives used for the major.

An approved, on-site internship is required following the completion of prerequisite courses.

The required, for-credit course, CFS 4390 (listed above), provides credit for the internship experience.

Students will need 50 – 100 volunteer hours of clinical experience, a Child Life Practicum, and a passing grade on the Child Life Certification exam to become a Child Life Specialist.

Contemporary Social Issues options: CFS 4356, SOC 1305, PSY 1305, REL 3390, **OR** ANT 1325

Formal Reasoning options: MTH 1301, PHI 1306, **OR** STA 1380

Scientific Method I options: BIO 1305 and 1105; BIO 1306 and 1106; BIO 1401; NSC 1306 and 1106; CHE 1300 and 1100; **OR** CHE 1301 and 1101

Scientific Method II options: NUTR 3314

*Lifetime Fitness - Either PUBH 1145 or PPS 1100 may be substituted for one LF course

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Notes about General Requirements:

- Please keep in mind that this is only a suggested sequence. Actual sequence will vary according to possible second major, minor, other program of study (including pre-health), and individual circumstances (ex., transfer credit, dual credit, and credit by exam).
- In order to complete your degree, you must fulfill all requirements in your major and general requirements for the Robbins College Bachelor of Science.
- To complete a double major, you may not count any courses toward both majors.
- For more specific information on general requirements, see the undergraduate catalog.
- Check your degree audit often through Bearweb to ensure that you are making timely progress toward your degree.

Child Life Elective Hours (Select 12 hours from the following courses)

BIO 2401 *Human Anatomy & Physiology of Motion and Innervation*

CLA 3381 **Medical Terminology**

PUBH 4321 *Human Sexuality*

PUBH 4327 **Dying and Death Education** OR SWO 4316 **Trauma, Loss, and Mourning**

MH 4372 *End of Life Care & Bereavement*, requires MH 1331 *Intro to Med. Humanities*

Professional Electives (complete one option)

Option 1:	Option 2:	Option 3:
American Sign Language	Any additional 3000-4000 level CFS course	CFS 4356 <i>The Family: A Global Perspective</i>
Business Administration	BIO 2402 <i>Anatomy & Physiology II</i> Prerequisite: CHE 1300 or 1301	CFS 4367 <i>Family Transitions, Stress and Resilience</i> (Spring only)
Educational Psychology	LS 3305 <i>Children's Literature</i>	CFS 4357 <i>Child and Family Policy and Advocacy</i>
Informal Education	LS 4320 <i>Young People's Literature</i> (Spring only)	OR SWO 4322 <i>Social Policy for Social Work Practice</i>
International Studies	REL 3382 <i>Cross-Cultural Ministry</i>	Plus 6 additional hours of upper-level elective from courses listed in Option 2
Leadership Studies	REL 3390 <i>Christian Ethics</i>	
Legal Reasoning and Analysis	REL 4395 <i>Bioethics</i>	*If this option is selected, CFS 4356 cannot
Medical Humanities	SOC 4353 <i>Sociology of Medicine</i> (Fall only)	count as the Contemporary Social Issues course for basic studies.
Nutrition Sciences	SOC 4357 <i>Health Inequities in America</i>	
Poverty Studies and Social Justice	SWO 4316 <i>Trauma, Loss and Mourning</i> (Spring only)	
Recreation Ministry		
Religion	<i>*Bolded electives are those most recommended by the Child and Family Studies program for students in the Child Life concentration.</i>	
Women's and Gender Studies		

Notes:

1. No more than one course in the minor can count for any other area in the major or degree requirements
2. See individual minors for course and grade requirements
3. General elective hours may be required to complete some minors