

CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT, BA

Bachelor of Arts in Child and Family Development (H40108BAT)

Students in the Child and Family Development program complete coursework in human development, diversity issues, family dynamics, ethics, law, and policy, family life education, financial and consumer issues, early childhood programming, and practical and/or research applications. Students are also required to pursue a certificate or minor and complete an internship at an agency that aligns with their career goals, making graduates are competitive in the job market as evidenced by over 90% of students surveyed pursuing careers in their chosen profession.

The following information has official approval of **The Department of Social Work and Family Sciences** and **The College of Health and Human Sciences**, but is intended only as a supplemental guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of transfer and admission to the degree-granting college. Students should refer to the Degree Progress Report (DPR) which is definitive for graduation requirements. *Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing courses, prerequisites, among others.* The transfer process is completed through an appointment with your academic advisor.

Requirements Summary

Code	Title	Hours
	General Education Requirements (https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/) *	34
	Core Courses	7
	Human Development	18
	Diversity Issues	6
	Early Childhood Programming	3
	Law and Policy	6
	Family Life Education & Consumer Issues	12
	Family Dynamics	6
	Applications in Child and Family Development	6
	Research Foundations	3
	Internship Experience	3
	CFD Electives and Certificate Courses **	16
	Total Hours	120

* Several courses required for the major also satisfy General Education requirements. The University minimum of 36 credits are required for General Education and credit for these courses will apply to multiple requirements.

** Variable credits total

General Education Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Students pursuing a bachelor's degree must complete the following General Education coursework. Diversity courses may also fulfill major or Breadth of Knowledge requirements. Integrated and Applied Learning courses may also fulfill requirements in the major.		
Academic Foundations		12
	<i>Mathematics, Statistics and Logic: 3 credit hours</i>	
	<i>Speaking: 3 credit hours</i>	
	<i>Writing: 6 credit hours</i>	
Breadth of Knowledge		22
	<i>Arts/Humanities: 9 credit hours</i>	
	<i>Natural Sciences: 7 credit hours</i>	
	<i>Social Sciences: 6 credit hours</i>	
Diversity		
	Domestic Diversity	
	Global Diversity	
Integrated and Applied Learning		2
<i>Select one class from one of the following subcategories:</i>		
	Complex Issues Facing Society	
	Capstone	
	<i>Review the General Education Requirements page for detailed course listings.</i>	
Total Hours		36

Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:147	Orientation to Child & Family Development	1
CHFD:201	Intimate Relationships	3
CHFD:265	Child Development	3
Total Hours		7

Human Development

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:365	Infant Development	3
CHFD:380	Play and Human Development	3
CHFD:404	Middle Childhood and Adolescence	3
CHFD:441	Family Relationships in Middle and Later Years	3
CHFD:442	Human Sexuality	3
NUTR:132	Early Childhood Nutrition	3
Total Hours		18

Diversity Issues

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:401	American Families in Poverty	3
CHFD:446	Culture, Ethnicity & Family	3
Total Hours		6

Early Childhood Programming

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 3 credits:		3
CHFD:245	Infant/Toddler Care and Education Programs	
CHFD:250	Observing & Recording Children's Behavior	
CHFD:370	Teaching in the Early Childhood Classroom	
CHFD:375	Teaching in the Early Childhood Classroom Lab	
CHFD:385	Early Childhood Curriculum Methods	
CHFD:448	Programs for School-Aged	
CHFD:460	Organization & Supervision of Child Care Centers	
Total Hours		3

Law and Policy

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:300	Legal Environment of Families	3
SOWK:445	Social Policy Analysis for Social Workers	3
Total Hours		6

Family Life Education & Consumer Issues

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:301	Consumer Education	3
CHFD:362	Family Resource Management	3
CHFD:410	Family Life Education Methods	3
SOWK:480	Special Topics: Social Work & Social Welfare (Family Financial Management)	3
Total Hours		12

Family Dynamics

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:360	Parent-Child Relations	3
CHFD:440	Family Crisis	3
Total Hours		6

Applications in Child and Family Development

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 6 credits:		6
CHFD:461	Case Management for Children & Families I	
CHFD:462	Case Management for Children & Families II	
CHFD:485	Seminar in Child and Family Development	
CHFD:496	Parent Education	
Total Hours		6

Research Foundations

Code	Title	Hours
SOWK:442	Social Work Research	3
Total Hours		3

Internship Experience

Code	Title	Hours
CHFD:494	Internship: Child and Family Development	3
Total Hours		3

CFD Electives and Certificate Courses (Variable credits total)

Code	Title	Hours
CFD Electives and Certificate Courses (Variable credits total):		15+

Recommended Sequence

1st Year		Hours
Fall Semester		
ENGL:111	English Composition I	3
	Mathematics, Statistics and Logic Requirement ²	3-4
CHFD:201	Intimate Relationships ³	3
CHFD:265	Child Development ³	3
PSYC:100	Introduction to Psychology ⁴	3
Hours		15-16

Spring Semester		Hours
ENGL:112	English Composition II ¹	3
CHFD:147	Orientation to Child & Family Development	1
COMM:105 or COMM:106	Introduction to Public Speaking or Effective Oral Communication	3
	Natural Science Requirement	3
	CFD: Human Development Course ⁵	3
	Social Science Requirement ⁷	3
Hours		16

2nd Year		Hours
Fall Semester		
	Natural Science Requirement with Lab ⁸	4
	Arts Requirement	3
	CFD: Human Development Course ⁵	3
	CFD: Early Childhood Programming Course ⁶	3
	Humanities Requirement	3
Hours		16

Spring Semester		Hours
	CFD: Family Financial and Consumer Issues Course ⁹	3
	Arts or Humanities Requirement	3
	CFD: Family Dynamics Course ¹⁰	3
	Elective, Minor, Certificate, or approved coursework requirement ¹²	3
	Domestic Diversity or Global Diversity Requirement ¹³	3
Hours		15

3rd Year		Hours
Fall Semester		
	CFD: Family Financial and Consumer Issues Course ⁹	3

CFD: Family Dynamics course ¹⁰	3
CFD: Human Development course ⁵	3
CFD: Applications in Child and Family Development course ¹¹	3
Minor, Certificate, or Approved coursework requirement ¹²	3
Hours	15
Spring Semester	
CFD: Applications in Child and Family Development course ¹¹	3
CFD: Ethics, Law, & Policy Course ¹⁵	3
CFD: Family Dynamics course ¹⁵	3
CHFD:485 Seminar in Child and Family Development	3
CFD: Human Development Course ⁵	3
Hours	15
4th Year	
Fall Semester	
Elective, Minor, Certificate, or Approved coursework requirement ¹²	3
CFD: Human Development Course ⁵	3
CFD: Diversity Issues Course ¹³	3
CFD: Ethics, Law, and Policy Course ¹⁴	3
Elective, Minor, Certificate, or Approved coursework requirement ¹²	3
Hours	15
Spring Semester	
CFD: Diversity Issues ¹³	3
CHFD:494 Internship: Child and Family Development ¹⁴	3
Minor, Certificate, or Approved coursework requirement ¹²	4
Minor, Certificate, or Approved coursework requirement ¹²	3
Hours	13
Total Hours	120-121

- ⁶ 3 credits are required from Early Childhood Programming:
 CHFD:245 Infant/Toddler Care and Education Programs
 CHFD:250 Observing & Recording Children's Behavior
 CHFD:385 Early Childhood Curriculum Methods
 CHFD:460 Organization & Supervision of Child Care Centers
 CHFD:370 Teaching in the Early Childhood Classroom
 CHFD:375 Teaching in the Early Childhood Classroom Lab
- ⁷ Recommended: Domestic Diversity SOCIO:100 Introduction to Sociology; or Global Diversity ANTH:251 Human Diversity
- ⁸ Recommended: ANTH:105 Human Evolution
- ⁹ 6 credits are required from Family Financial and Consumer Issues:
 CHFD:301 Consumer Education
 CHFD:362 Family Resource Management
 CHFD:406 Family Financial Management
- ¹⁰ 9 credits are required from Family Dynamics:
 CHFD:360 Parent-Child Relations
 CHFD:440 Family Crisis
 CHFD:441 Family Relationships in Middle and Later Years
- ¹¹ 9 credits are required from Applications in Child and Family Development:
 SOWK:442 Social Work Research
 CHFD:485 Seminar in Child and Family Development (revolving topic)
 CHFD:496 Parent Education
- ¹² All Child and Family Development majors are required to complete one of the following:
 1) Minor
 2) Certificate
 3) *12 credits of coursework in a single discipline outside of Child and Family Development
 *Child and Family Development majors may not minor in Child Development or Family Development.
 Additionally, Child and Family Development majors must also complete electives coursework from any CHFD courses not elsewhere applied in the major in order to meet the minimum 120 credits for graduation. No more than 5 credits of CHFD:490 Workshop in Child & Family Development can be applied towards the elective requirement. Please check your DPR for course list (See "Child and Family Electives" section in DPR)
- ¹³ 6 credits are required from Diversity Issues:
 CHFD:401 American Families in Poverty, CHFD:446 Culture, Ethnicity & Family
- ¹⁴ A grade of C or better must be earned in the Capstone Experience course for a total of 5 credits

¹ For English Composition II, ENGL:112 is the recommended course to meet the General Education Writing requirement. However, ENGL:222 Technical Report Writing also fulfills the English Composition II Writing requirement.

² The Child and Family Development recommends STAT:250 Statistics for Everyday Life or STAT:260 Basic Statistics to meet the General Education Mathematics, Statistics and Logic requirement.

³ A grade of C or better is required in order to be accepted into the Child and Family Development program.

⁴ PSYC:100 Introduction to Psychology is a required course Child and Family Development majors must take as one of their General Education Social Science requirements.

⁵ 15 credits are required from Human Development:
 CHFD:380 Play and Human Development
 CHFD:365 Infant Development
 CHFD:404 Middle Childhood and Adolescence
 CHFD:442 Human Sexuality
 NUTR:132 Early Childhood Nutrition