FCS 5962-004
Special Topics in Human Development and Family Studies: **Autism Across the Lifespan**

This course examines the experiences of people with autism spectrum disorder in each major life stage. Drawing on local, interdisciplinary expertise, students will be presented with a strengths-based overview of autism, the impact on family and community, and contemporary issues related to disability, advocacy, and policy. The class will also involve field trips to local community agencies which provide resources and support for individuals with autism and their families.

This course is a one-week intensive course. Class will be held May 8th to May 12th, Monday through Friday from 8:30-4:30. Daily attendance is required for a successful completion of the class that will involve group work. Major assignments will include integration papers due at the end of May.