

# Human Development and Family Studies

Early Childhood Education Emphasis

Catalog Year 2025-2026



NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADVISOR: \_\_\_\_\_

**BA BS**

## General Education / Graduation Requirement

MINIMUM U OF U GPA 2.0

GEN ED / BACH. DEGREE REQ. REMAINING:

\_\_\_\_ / 122 MINIMUM CREDITS

\_\_\_\_ IN PROGRESS      NEEDS \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ / 40 UPPER DIVISION CREDITS

\_\_\_\_ IN PROGRESS      NEEDS \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ / 30 RESIDENCY CREDITS

\_\_\_\_ IN PROGRESS      NEEDS \_\_\_\_

## HDFS Core (C- or Better Required)

**17**  
credits

**FCS 1500 Lifespan Human Development (3) BF**

**FCS 2400 Modern Family (3) BF**

**FCS 3200 Research Methods (4) CW**

**FCS 3210 Statistics (4)\* QI**

**Family Finance/Economics Course\***

Choose One of the following:

**FCS 3450 Family Economic Issues (3) BF QI**

**OR FCS 3500 Financial Skills for Life (3) QI**

\* Waived by completion of ALL Pre-Licensure courses.

## ECE Core (C- or Better Required)

**28**  
credits

**FCS 2180 Family, School, Community Connections (3)**

**FCS 2216 Interacting with Infants and Toddlers (3)\***

**FCS 2600 Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3)**

**FCS 2610 Understanding Children's Behavior (3)**

**FCS 2620 Child Development Practicum (3)**

**FCS 2640 Integrated Curriculum Methods (3)**

**FCS 3215 Beginnings: Development in Infancy and Childhood (3)**

**FCS 3290 Race, Ethnicity, and Family Diversity (4) DV**

**FCS 5170 Creativity in Young Children (3)**

\* Waived by completion of ALL Pre-Licensure courses.

## ECE Capstone (C- or Better Required) ONE Course Required

**6-9**  
credits

**FCS 5190 Early Childhood Capstone (6)**

**FCS 5900 Early Childhood Capstone for In-Service Educators (6)**

**EDU 5395 Student Teaching (9)**

**REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. STUDENTS ARE  
ENCOURAGED TO MEET WITH AN ADVISOR REGULARLY.**

To Make an Appointment or Learn More About the  
Department Go To:

**FCS.UTAH.EDU/ADVISING**

ADVISOR@FCS.UTAH.EDU, 801-213-1144

Alfred Emery Building (AEB 228),

Gardner Commons (GC) Suite 2455

## Optional K-3 Pre-Licensure Courses

**41**  
credits

B or better required with the exception of Math 4010 and 4020 which  
can be completed with a C or better.

**NUIP 1020 Scientific Foundations of Nutrition & Health (3) LS**

**or H EDU 1010 Healthy Lifestyles (3)**

**ED PS 2140 Technology in Classrooms (2)**

**ED PS 4331 International Children Literature (3) IR**

**ED PS 5005 Writing Methods K-6 (3) CW**

**ED PS 5315 Reading Methods I (3) CW**

**ED PS 5321 Reading Methods II (3)**

**EDU 5316 Basic Intervention for Primary Grade Readers (1)**

**EDU 5643 Early Steps Summer Reading Intervention Practicum (3)**

**EDU 5375 Science Methods (3)**

**MATH 4010 Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers I (4)**

**MATH 4020 Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers II (4)**

**SP ED 2011 Inclusive Early Childhood & Elementary Classrooms (3)**

**SP ED 5021 Assessment & Data Based Decision Making (3)**

**SP ED 5022 Instruction & Behavioral Support (3)**

## Optional K-3 Licensure Program Courses

(B- or CR Required)

**25**  
credits

Students must apply and be admitted into the K-3 Licensure Program

**EDU 5310 Theories of Classroom Management (3)**

**EDU 5360 Elementary Math Learning Methods (3)**

**EDU 5380 Elementary Social Studies Methods (3)**

**EDU 5390 Field Practicum (3)**

**EDU 5201 Practices, Ethics, and Professional Development (1)**

**EDU 5391 Professional Development Seminar (3)**

**EDU 5395 Student Teaching (9)**

## K-3 Application Timeline

We recommend students who begin the combined programs as first  
year students **formally apply during their second year of course work.**  
Students who begin the program later in their college career should  
meet with an academic advisor to determine the best time to apply  
for the licensure component.

Applications are due by February 1 of the year that applicant plans to  
complete their licensure year (ex. due February 1, 2026 for students  
planning to start licensure program in August of 2026.)

**Application requirements for licensure program:**

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Application
- Personal Statement
- Transcripts, University of Utah, transfer, any concurrent enrollment
- Three letters of recommendation, Academic, Professional and Teaching/ Working with kids.
- Background check (CACTUS Screenshot for verification)

Students are encouraged to use the Teacher Education Workshop  
Series for assistance in completing their application.

<https://uite.utah.edu/programs/teacher-education-workshop-series/>



# ACADEMIC PLANNING & NOTES



## Academic Planning

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