

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
B.A. DEGREE IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND
FAMILY SCIENCE (Family Research, Policy, and Advocacy)
A joint program of the COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT and
The COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
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<http://hdfs.gmu.edu/human-development-family-science>
2018 - 2019 CATALOG

	<u>Department(s) & Course #(s)</u>	<u>Completed/ Grade(s)</u>	<u>Needed</u>
<u>MASON CORE REQUIREMENTS (*37)</u>			
a. Written Communication: ENGH 101 (100), ENGH 302 (C or better) (3,3)		___ ___	___ ___
b. Oral Communication: COMM 100 or 101 (please circle choice) (3)		___ ___	___ ___
c. Quantitative Reasoning (3) <i>(may be satisfied by concentration course)</i>	_____	___ ___	___ ___
d. Literature (3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
e. Arts (3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
f. Western Civilization (3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
g. Social & Behavioral Science (3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
h. Natural Science (4,3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
i. Global Understanding (3) <i>(may be satisfied by concentration course)</i>	_____	___ ___	___ ___
j. Information Technology (3)	_____	___ ___	___ ___
k. Synthesis (satisfied by HDFS 400)			

Go to: <http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/> to link to information on Mason Core requirements.

COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (*9-18)

a. Foreign Language: Intermediate level in a single foreign language.			
b. Philosophy or Religious Studies (3) (not PHIL 323, 324, 327, 393, 460) _____	_____	___ ___	___ ___
(PHIL 253 and RELI 235 cannot be used to fulfill both the PHIL/RELI requirement and the Mason Core literature requirement.)			
c. Three credits in social & behavioral sciences in addition to the university-wide requirement in social & behavioral science for a total of 6 credits. The two courses used to fulfill the combined college and university requirements must be from different disciplines. This requirement may be fulfilled by completing any course in ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GOVT, HIST (except 100 or 125), LING, PSYC, or SOCI & these courses in GGS: 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.	_____	___ ___	___ ___
d. Non-Western Culture	_____	___ ___	___ ___

*The number of hours needed to fulfill Mason Core requirements may vary; see the University Catalog for information. The two courses used to fulfill the college and university requirements for social & behavioral sciences must be from different disciplines.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (33)

a. ECED 401 or PSYC 313 (circle one); ECED 404 or INTS 321 (circle one) (3,3)			
b. HDFS 200, HDFS 250 (3,3)		a. ___ ___	___ ___
c. HDFS 300, HDFS 400 (3,3)		b. ___ ___	___ ___
d. HDFS 401, HDFS 498 (3,3)		c. ___ ___	___ ___
e. HDFS 499; PSYC 415 or HHS 432 or SOCI 341 (3,3)		d. ___ ___	___ ___
f. SOCI 303 (3) or PSYC 301 (3)		e. ___ ___	___ ___
		f. ___ ___	___ ___

CONCENTRATION IN FAMILY RESEARCH, POLICY, AND ADVOCACY (15)

Fifteen credits chosen from the following (list courses): CRIM 220 (3), CRIM 405 (3), GCH 376 (3), GOVT 301 (3), GOVT 318 (3), GOVT 353 (3), GOVT 364 (3), GOVT 366 (3), GOVT 407 (3), GOVT 414 (3), GOVT 427 (3), GOVT 445 (3), HAP 301 (3), HAP 312 (3), HAP 442 (3), HAP 445 (3), INTS 302 (6), INTS 317 (4), INTS 337 (3), INTS 362 (3), INTS 405 (4), PSYC 362 (3), PSYC 379 (3), PSYC 466 (3), SOCI 308 (3), SOCI 309 (3), SOCI 312 (3), SOCI 315 (3), SOCI 355 (3), SOCW 380 (3), SOCW 400 (3), STAT 250 (3), STAT 350 (3), or other course approved by the program director.

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GENERAL ELECTIVES (14-23) (List courses)

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MINIMUM 120 HOURS (including Minimum 45 UPPER DIVISION HOURS) to GRADUATE

This planning form is intended to be used in consultation with your academic advisor and reflects the requirements for the 2018 - 2019 Catalog; the University Catalog is the official reference for program requirements.

2018-2019

Bachelor of Arts in Human Development and Family Science Family Research, Policy, and Advocacy (FRPA) Concentration

A joint interdisciplinary degree program with the College of Humanities and Social Sciences



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❖ **Mason Core, 40 credits:** For current list of approved courses: <http://provost.gmu.edu/gened/approved-course-listing/>

- Oral Communication - 3 credits
- Written Communication (Lower Level) - 3 Credits (**ENGH 101**)
- Written Communication (Upper Level) - 3 Credits (**ENGH 302**)
- Information Technology and Ethics - 3 Credits
- Quantitative Reasoning - 3 Credits
- Arts - 3 Credits
- Global Understanding - 3 Credits (**PSYC 379**)
- Literature - 3 Credits
- Natural Science - 7 Credits
- Social and Behavioral Sciences - 3 Credits (**PSYC 100**)
- Western Civilization - 3 Credits
- Synthesis – 3 credits (**HDFS 400**)

❖ **College-Level Requirements, 9-18 credits** (follow CHSS college-level requirements)

- Philosophy or Religion - 3 credits
- Non-Western Culture - 3 credits (must be different from the course used to fulfill Global Understanding)
- Social and Behavioral Sciences - 3 credits (**SOCI 101 or 102**) (this is in addition to university wide requirement in social and behavioral sciences for a total of 6 credits)
- Foreign Language – 0-9 credits (must achieve proficiency in a foreign language through the intermediate level (through coursework or testing to determine proficiency)

❖ **HDFS major coursework, 33-34 credits**

- HDFS 200: Individual and Family Development
- HDFS 250: Family Finance and Resource Management
- HDFS 300: Individual and Family Services Delivery
- HDFS 400: Advanced Family Processes
- HDFS 401: Family Law & Public Policy (**Writing Intensive**)
- HDFS 498: Internship
- HDFS 499: Advanced Internship
- ECED 401: Develop Pathways of Diverse Learners, Birth-Adolescence **OR** PSYC 313: Child Development
- INTS 321: Parent-Child Relations **OR** ECED 404: Engaging Families of Diverse Young Learners
- PSYC 415: Psychological Factors in Aging **OR** SOCI 341: Sociology of Aging **OR** HHS 432: Healthy Aging
- SOCI 303: Methods and Logic of Inquiry **OR** PSYC 301: Research Methods in Psychology

❖ **Family Research, Policy, and Advocacy Concentration (FRPA) Electives, 15 credits** (Choose 15 credits from the list below or in consultation with your advisor*): This concentration prepares students for graduate education and careers in family law and policy, research, family-based advocacy, and beyond.

- CRIM 220: Intro to Law and Society
- CRIM 405: Law and Justice Around the World
- GCH 376: Health Ethics, Leadership, and Advocacy
- GOVT 301: Public Law and the Judicial Process
- GOVT 318: Interest Groups, Lobbying, and the Political Process
- GOVT 353: Social Entrepreneurship
- GOVT 364: Public Policy Making
- GOVT 366: Public Policy Analysis
- GOVT 407: Law and Society
- GOVT 414: Politics of Race and Gender
- GOVT 427: Feminist Political Thought
- GOVT 445: Human Rights
- HAP 442: Intro to Health care Politics and Policy
- HAP 301: Healthcare Delivery in the US
- HAP 312: Healthcare Law
- HAP 445: Intro to Health Services Research
- INTS 302: Argument and Advocacy
- INTS 317: Issues in Family Relationships
- INTS 337: Social Justice Consciousness and Personal Transformation
- INTS 362: Social Justice and Human Rights
- INTS 405: Women and Leadership
- PSYC 362: Psychology of Gender
- PSYC 379: Applied Cross-Cultural Psychology
- PSYC 466: Psychology of Intimate Relationships
- SOCI 308: Race and Ethnicity in a Changing World
- SOCI 309: Marriage, Families, and Intimate Life
- SOCI 312: Qualitative Research Methods
- SOCI 315: Contemporary Gender Relations
- SOCI 355: Social Inequality
- SOCW 351: Social Policy and Social Justice
- SOCW 370: Social Policy Analysis and Advocacy
- SOCW 380: Changing Social Policies and Systems
- SOCW 400: Legal and Ethical Issues in Human Services
- STAT 250: Introductory Stats
- STAT350: Introductory Stats II

*Other courses of interest may be approved by the program coordinator

❖ **Electives, 13-23 credits**

Total: 120 Credits

Academic Requirements: 120 total credits; 45 Upper Level Credit Hours; 30 Hours (12 upper level) for GMU Residency Requirement; Completion of Mason Core courses; GPA of at least 2.0

Suggested Academic Plan (to be supplemented by Mason Core and Electives)

Semester	Course	Credits	Prerequisites
1 st Year Fall	HDFS 200: Individual and Family Development	3	
1 st Year Spring	HDFS 250: Family Finance and Resource Management	3	
2 nd Year Fall	FRPA Concentration Elective #1	3	
2 nd Year Spring	HDFS 300: Individual and Family Services Delivery	3	<i>HDFS 200</i>
	FRPA Concentration Elective #2	3	
3 rd Year Fall	ECED 401: Developmental Pathways of Diverse Learners OR PSYC 313: Child Development	3	
	INTS 321: Parent-Child Relations OR ECED 404: Engaging Families of Diverse Young Learners	3	
	SOCI 303: Sociological Research Methodology OR PSYC 301: Research Methods in Psychology	4	<i>SOCI 101 or 102</i>
3 rd Year Spring	PSYC 415: Psychological Factors in Aging OR SOCI 341: Sociology of Aging OR HHS 432: Healthy Aging	3	<i>PSYC 100</i>
	FRPA Concentration Elective #3	3	
	FRPA Concentration Elective #4	3	
4 th Year Fall	HDFS 498: Internship	3	<i>HDFS 300</i>
	FRPA Concentration Elective #5	3	
	HDFS 400: Advanced Family Processes	3	<i>HDFS 200</i>
4 th Year Spring	HDFS 401: Family Law and Public Policy	3	<i>HDFS 200</i>
	HDFS 499: Advanced Internship	3	<i>HDFS 498</i>

Additional information regarding College-Level Requirements:

- **One course (3 credits) in philosophy or religious studies:** Fulfilled by any course in PHIL or RELI except PHIL 323, 324, 327, 393, 460. PHIL 253 cannot be used to fulfill both the philosophy/religious studies requirement and the Mason Core literature requirement.
- **One course (3 credits) in social and behavioral science:** 3 credits in addition to the university-wide requirement in social and behavioral science for a total of 6 credits. The two courses used to fulfill the combined college and university requirements must be from different disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences. The courses used to fulfill this requirement must be in addition to the course used to fulfill the university requirement in western civilization/world history. This requirement may be fulfilled by any course in ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GOVT, HIST (except 100 or 125), LING, PSYC, or SOCI and these courses in GGS: 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.
- **One course (3 credits) in non-Western culture.** For an approved list of courses: <http://chss.gmu.edu/general-education/non-western-culture> The same course cannot be used to fulfill this requirement and the Mason Core requirement in global understanding. Students who have attended high school in a non-Western country for four or more years may be eligible for a waiver of this requirement.
- **Students can demonstrate language proficiency by completing an approved intermediate-level sequence in one foreign language.** George Mason's intermediate-level language sequence is 110 (6 credits) and 210 (3 credits). The Latin sequence is 101, 102, 201, 202 (all 3 credits). The American Sign Language sequence is EDSE 115, 116, and 219 (all 3 credits). Students can demonstrate language proficiency by achieving a satisfactory score on the placement test administered by the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. Students will be granted a waiver of the foreign language requirement if their test score places them beyond a course numbered 210 (202 for Latin). Students who are granted a waiver do not receive credit.