

SCHOOL OF FAMILY, CONSUMER, AND NUTRITION SCIENCES

Family and Child Studies Program

The School of Family, Consumer, and Nutrition Sciences (FCNS) limits the total number of students admitted to a major depending on the resources available. Students admitted to the university as freshman or transfers wishing to major in family and child studies will be classified as pre-FCNS majors until they meet the requirements below and have applied and been admitted to a program.

Students may make formal application for consideration for admission to the major in family and child studies after they have satisfied the following requirements. The student must have a **cumulative GPA of 2.20** or better on a 4.0 scale.

COURSES MUST BE COMPLETED THE SEMESTER PRIOR TO MAKING APPLICATION UNIVERSITY ADMISSION RECORD MUST BE COMPLETE BY DEADLINE FOR CONSIDERATION

Admission Requirements

- Transfer students applying to the major must submit an official transcript to Registration & Records for evaluation showing a grade of C or better in the following pre-major courses for their intended emphasis before the prescribed deadline**.

For ALL Emphases

ENGL 104	-	Rhetoric and Composition II
OR ENGL 105	-	Rhetoric and Composition, if placed into ENGL 105
OR pass the English Core Competency II Examination		
MATH 110	-	College Algebra
OR STAT 208	-	Basic Statistics
OR Have met NIU's Math Core Competency Requirement (i.e. Math 101; 155; 201; 210; A.S. or A.A. degree with compact benefits etc.)		
PSYC 102	-	Introduction to Psychology

Additional prerequisite courses for Emphasis 1 - Family and Individual Development

SOCI 170	-	Introduction to Sociology
OR FCNS 230	-	Child Development
OR FCNS 280	-	Human Development, the Family, and Society

Additional prerequisite courses for Emphasis 2 - Family Social Services

SOCI 170	-	Introduction to Sociology
OR FCNS 280	-	Human Development, the Family and Society

*For the March 2008 deadline, students can apply with a C or better in FCNS 230, Child Development

Additional prerequisite courses for Emphasis 3 - Child Development

FCNS 230	-	Child Development
OR FCNS 280	-	Human Development, the Family, and Society

- Attainment of a cumulative grade-point average of 2.20 or better on a 4.00 scale. Admission is competitive and will be based on the overall GPA in work taken at NIU or transferred from other institutions. ***A GPA well above 2.00 may be required for admission.***
- To be considered for admission, students must have their completed application to both the University and the School of Family, Consumer, and Nutrition Sciences complete by the following deadlines:

****Application Deadlines:**

	<u>Term</u>	<u>Applications Due in Wirtz 118</u>
(Applications are available in Wirtz 118 approximately one month prior to the deadline)	Spring.....	September 15
	Summer/Fall.....	March 1

CHECK THE FOLLOWING CHART TO SEE WHEN YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY. STUDENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY DURING THE SEMESTER IN WHICH THEY ARE COMPLETING THEIR LAST PRE-MAJOR COURSES LISTED ABOVE.

Complete tool courses by the end of:	To apply to FCNS by:	To be admitted to FCNS for the:
Fall semester _____	March 1, _____	Fall semester _____
Spring/Summer semester _____	September 15, _____	Spring semester _____