



Bachelor of Arts

# CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES

APPLIED RESEARCH TRACK

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	YOUR CLASS SCHEDULE	ACADEMIC ADVISING	ENRICHING EXPERIENCES	LIFELONG SUCCESS
Freshman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enroll in UNIV 1101 Freshman Seminar.</li> <li>Complete at least 33 hours during your freshman year.</li> <li>Earn a C or better in all courses.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in New Student Orientation.</li> <li>Meet with your Academic Advising Center Freshman Advisor before fall and spring registration.</li> <li>Talk with the Advisor about the recommended course sequencing for your degree plan.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prioritize Your Wellness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in campus recreation</li> <li>Attend Financial Literacy seminars</li> <li>Form healthy study habits</li> </ul> <p><b>Build Your Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use FalconLink &amp; attend Club Day</li> <li>Volunteer to mentor or tutor students at a local school or community organization</li> <li>Attend campus events</li> </ul> <p><b>Explore Your World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend an athletics event, musical performance, or visit the art gallery</li> <li>Read books for enjoyment</li> </ul>	<p><b>Build Your Brand</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft your resume</li> <li>Register for the Job Board</li> </ul> <p><b>Craft Your Future</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore career options</li> <li>Have coffee with a faculty member</li> </ul>
Sophomore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete at least 30 hours during your sophomore year.</li> <li>Complete all remaining general education core courses.</li> <li>Earn a C or better in all courses.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet with your Academic Advising Center Advisor before fall registration.</li> <li>Meet with a Child &amp; Family Studies Advisor in the College of Education before spring registration.</li> <li>Verify course sequencing with the advisors.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prioritize Your Wellness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enjoy outdoor spaces on campus</li> </ul> <p><b>Build Your Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Join an organization</li> <li>Explore campus leadership (SGA, Orientation Leader, Resident Asst.)</li> </ul> <p><b>Explore Your World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider study abroad</li> <li>Attend a lecture series</li> </ul>	<p><b>Build Your Brand</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update your resume</li> <li>Join LinkedIn</li> <li>Consider student employment</li> </ul> <p><b>Craft Your Future</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in mock interviews</li> <li>Attend an internship/career fair</li> </ul>
Junior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete at least 30 hours during your junior year.</li> <li>Earn a C or better in all courses.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet with a Child &amp; Family Studies Advisor in the College of Education each term.</li> <li>Register for classes as soon as you are able.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prioritize Your Wellness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend a health fair</li> </ul> <p><b>Build Your Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Run for organization officer role</li> <li>Apply to be a Falcon Ambassador</li> </ul> <p><b>Explore Your World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider study abroad</li> <li>Participate in service learning</li> </ul>	<p><b>Build Your Brand</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update your resume</li> <li>Ask about professors' research and conduct research with them</li> </ul> <p><b>Craft Your Future</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Search for internships or fellowships</li> </ul>
Senior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete remaining hours for the degree during your senior year.</li> <li>Earn a C or better in all courses.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet with a Child &amp; Family Studies Advisor before registration. Select courses for on-time graduation.</li> <li>Apply for graduation early in the spring semester. Ask the Child and Family Studies Advisor to complete your undergraduate degree check.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Prioritize Your Wellness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend financial literacy seminars</li> </ul> <p><b>Build Your Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attend your ring ceremony</li> <li>Join Alumni Association upon graduation</li> </ul> <p><b>Explore Your World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider study abroad (summer prior to senior year)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Build Your Brand</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update your resume</li> <li>Present research</li> </ul> <p><b>Craft Your Future</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in an internship or fellowship</li> <li>Apply for jobs</li> </ul>

## UTPB students will graduate with these skills:

- Empirical and Quantitative Skills
- Adaptability
- Communication
- Planning and Organization
- Research
- Teamwork
- Critical Thinking

## Career opportunities:

- Early childhood program manager
- Early childhood educator

- Employment with a nonprofit entity
- Social agency work



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## Bachelor of Arts in Child and Family Studies - Program of Study

### Semester 1

ENGL 1301 Composition I  
HIST 1301 U.S. History to 1877  
Life or Physical Science course with lab  
COMM 1315 Introduction to Public Speaking  
Creative Arts general education course  
UNIV 1101 Freshman Seminar

**17 hours**

### Semester 2

ENGL 1302 Composition II  
HIST 1302 U.S. History since 1877  
Life or Physical Science course with lab  
PSYC 1301 Introduction to Psychology  
MATH 1000 level elective

**16 hours**

### Semester 3

PLSC 2305 American National Politics  
ENGL 2300 level Language/Philosophy/Culture core  
SOC 1301 Introduction to Sociology  
CHLD 3341 Child Psych or PSYC 3344 Life-Span Psych  
COMM 1115 Communication Lab  
Minor course

**16 hours**

### Semester 4

PLSC 2306 State and Local Politics  
CHLD 3352 The Exceptional Child  
CHLD 4314 Language Development in the Young Child  
Minor course  
Major elective course

**15 hours**

### Semester 5

CHLD 4320 or SOCI 4317  
CHLD 3311 or 3321 or 4307 or 4312  
Minor course  
Elective  
Elective

**15 hours**

### Semester 6

CHLD 3301 Statistics  
CHLD 3343 or 4341 or 4370 or 4381  
CHLD 4351 or CHLD 4389 or COSC 1335  
Minor course  
Elective

**15 hours**

### Semester 7

CHLD 3304 Experimental Psychology  
Minor course  
Elective  
Elective  
Elective

**15 hours**

### Semester 8

CHLD 4391 Independent Study in Child & Family  
Minor course  
Elective  
Elective

**12 hours**

Child and Family Studies majors may not minor in Psychology or Sociology.

The above are suggested guidelines for a timely degree completion. Students must meet with an advisor every semester, as course availability does change. Students preferring a lighter course load or a faster degree completion may take courses in the summer terms. However, not all courses are offered in the summer.