FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE (FACS)

FACS 3350 Child in the Family — 4 credits
Study of the needs of the child at each stage of her/his development with an emphasis on finding appropriate ways of meeting these needs within the context of the family. Identification of possible physical and emotional crises children may face including methods for effectively dealing with these crises. Offered in the College for Women and the College for Adults.  
Prerequisite: PSYC 2025 or PSYC 2026.

FACS 3360 Parenting Education — 2 credits
This course involves the study of parenting as a means of facilitating the development of both parent and child. Alternative parenting styles related to the characteristics of parent and child are examined. Also involves the review and development of parent education curricula. Offered in the College for Women. Offered in alternate years.  
Prerequisites: FACS 3350; PSYC 2025 or PSYC 2026.

FACS 3650 Personal and Family Financial Management — 4 credits
Understanding the skills for successful financial management is the core of the course. Students will participate in a practical study of establishing goals, planning and creating personal/family budgets. Students will study, discuss and reflect upon establishing and managing credit, consumer decision making, housing options and home financing, taxes, insurance, employee benefits packages and investments. Students will leave the class with a comprehensive framework for managing their finances. Offered in the College for Women.  
Prerequisite: Junior or senior status.

FACS 3700 Interior Design/Housing — 4 credits
The course involves the application of economic and art principles within responsible consumer decision-making paradigms in planning and selecting furniture, textiles and home accessories appropriate in decorating and furnishing new and remodeled homes. Studio problems emphasize application of theory. Offered in alternate years.

FACS 4000W Management Approach to Family Systems — 4 credits
This course involves the study of the systems approach to family management. It includes the principles of family living related to the management of human and environmental resources; establishment of family goals and values; home-related work, patterns of communication and decision making; and change as it affects families. It includes the study of current family forms and challenges affecting families today. Offered in alternate years. Offered in the College for Women.

Prerequisite: Junior or senior status.

FACS 4602 Internship — 2 credits
Structured out-of-class learning experience that takes place on or off campus and includes a substantial work component. An internship involves students in a particular profession in an exploratory way to test career interests and potential. To initiate an internship experience, meet with the internship coordinator in the Career Development Office.  
Prerequisites: Faculty sponsorship and approval by department chair.

FACS 4604 Internship — 4 credits
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FACS 4682 Directed Study — 2 credits
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Directed study is provided for students whose unusual circumstances prohibit taking a regularly scheduled course, but who need the material of that course to satisfy a requirement. Availability of this faculty-directed learning experience depends on faculty time and may be limited in any given term and restricted to certain courses.  
Prerequisites: Faculty, department chair and dean approval.

FACS 4952 Independent Study — 2 credits
Independent study offers students the opportunity for specialized research not covered in a course offering, by the action project or thesis. Students work with a faculty advisor to develop a learning contract, which specifies the content and objectives of the study as well as the requirements and procedures for evaluation. The amount of credit earned for the study also is included in the learning contract.  
Prerequisites: Permission of the faculty and department chair or program director.

FACS 4954 Independent Study — 4 credits
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Prerequisites: Permission of the faculty and department chair or program director.

FACS 4992 Topics 2 — 2 credits
The subject matter of the course is announced in the annual schedule of classes. Content varies from year to year but does not duplicate existing courses.

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