Welcome to Family Studies and Human Development!
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Outline of Today’s Information:

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- Facts about the Major
- FSHD Pre-Major and Major
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- Questions
Family Studies and Human Development (FSHD): It’s About Life!

- Educates students on family relations and dynamics (dating, marriage, etc.) and cognitive, physical, emotional, and social development in humans across the lifespan

- Helps prepare students for professions that improve the quality of life for individuals, couples, and families

- Examines not only the individual, but also the contexts in which the individual lives (family, culture, etc.)
What are Some of the Topics I Will Learn About?

- What is the normal progression of love in a relationship?
- Is early childcare harmful to children's development?
- In terms of children's outcomes, what is good parenting? Is it the same for everyone?
- How does divorce and remarriage impact individual and family functioning?
- Why do some families cope with adversity better than others?
- Why do people stay in unhappy relationships?
- Why do older men marry younger women?
Fast Facts about FSHD

What college is FSHD in?
- The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS)

What degree will I get in FSHD?
- A Bachelor of Science (B.S.): this means you are required to fulfill a Biology/Life Sciences requirement

How many students are there in FSHD?
- As of Fall 2015, there were close to 450 pre-majors and majors

What can I do with a degree in FSHD?
- There are a number of careers one can pursue both with and without an advanced degree
Possible Careers

• Social Worker
• Marriage and Family Counselor
• Health Care Practitioner
• Educator
• Child Life Specialist
• Program Developer or Coordinator
• Research Specialist
• Family Lawyer
• Child Advocate
• Gerontologist
Outside of the Classroom…

• **Research opportunities**: Students have the opportunity to work on a variety of research projects, including some of the following:
  • Studying unmarried, pregnant cohabitors
  • Examining the links between eating and emotions
  • Exploring cyberbullying in elementary school students
  • Examining and preventing suicide behaviors among lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning young people of color
  • Exploring how emotion regulation, emotional distress, and family support influence breast cancer survival
  • Studying early childhood development of children with autism

• **Internships**: Students have the opportunity to apply their knowledge to real-world settings, including:
  • Guiding children through their hospital stays
  • Working with Child Protective Services
  • Assisting developmentally disabled adults through art therapy
  • Aiding refugee families as they adjust to their new lives
The FSHD Ambassadors: a student organization dedicated to philanthropic efforts and community and school outreach

Past events have included:

• A Casino Night for senior citizen residents
• A Halloween party for refugee children
• Making, decorating, and selling over 550 personalized cookies (all the proceeds were donated to a needy family at the holidays)
## FSHD Pre-Major

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❖ All coursework must be completed with a minimum GPA of 2.6!!
Applying from the Pre-Major to the Major

• Once you have completed all pre-major coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.6, you may apply to the major.

• There will be 2 application periods a year, one in the fall and one in the spring.

• Once admitted to the major, all students will be charged a $200 per semester fee. This fee goes toward advising, internships, student services events, and courses
Q: What do I need to include in my Application for Admission to the Major?

A: The application will require a Statement of Interest, a Resume, and a List of your grades in FSHD Pre-Major Courses.

Q: What if I am finishing my requirements in the summer?

A: If you are finishing in the summer, you will complete your application in the Spring for Fall admission. You will turn in your application, indicating the class(es) you will complete in the Summer. After your grades are posted, you will send Student Services your transcripts and grades via email, and if all requirements are met, you will be admitted into the major.

Q: Why must I turn my application in so early?

A: It is important because we will hold FSHD major course seats for students who turn their completed applications in by the deadline.

Q: Can I take pre-major classes somewhere other than the UA?

A: Yes, but all transfer coursework must be completed with a C or better to be accepted at the UA. UA and FSHD have course equivalencies at many Arizona Community Colleges. Please see aztransfer.com and view our course equivalency guide online: https://cals.arizona.edu/fcs/fshd/advising/forms
FSHD Major Application FAQ:

Q: Can I turn in my application after the deadline?

A: Yes, but we will not hold any seats for you.

Q: Will everyone who completes the requirements be admitted into the major?

A: A maximum of 80 students will be admitted each semester. If more than 80 students apply and meet all the admission criteria, then students will be accepted based on GPA. If less than 80 students apply and all meet the criteria, all the students will be accepted.

Q: What if my GPA is not high enough?

A: You may retake some classes and reapply.

Q: How many times can I apply to the major?

A: Students can apply to the major a total of 2 times. Please consult with an academic advisor if you have questions about this policy, or feel you will not successfully progress into the major after your 2nd attempt applying.
FSHD Advising Information

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• Schedule an appointment online and view walk in hours:
  • https://cals.arizona.edu/fcs/fshd/advising
If you have questions or are ready to declare your major to FSHD, please attend an information session.

If unable to attend an information session, please email:

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