

**TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY**  
**Department of Family Sciences**  
**M.S. in Child Development**  
**(33 hours-Thesis option; 39 hours-Nonthesis option)**

**CORE: (9 hours)**

FS	5003*	Lifespan Human Development
FS	5113	Theories of Human Development
FS	5123*	Theories of the Family

**RESEARCH: (12 hours-Thesis option; 6 hours-Nonthesis option)**

FS	5693	Research Methods in Family Sciences
Master's level		Statistics
FS	5983/93	Thesis (Thesis option only)

**CONTENT SPECIALIZATION: (9 hours-Thesis; 12 hours-Nonthesis)**

FS	5023*	Family Sexuality <b>or</b> 5253 Gender Role Development
FS	5243	Adolescents in the Family
FS	5533*	Parenting Education
FS	5593	Play, Development and the Young Learner
FS	5613	Child Guidance
FS	5643	The Development of Infants and Toddlers
FS	5653#	Program Planning and Development in Early Childhood
FS	5673#	Administration and Management of Programs for Young Children

**PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCIES: (3 hours-Thesis; 12 hours-Nonthesis)**

FS	5153*	Family Changes and Diversity
FS	5233*	Communication in Marriage and Family
FS	5663#	Leadership and Staff Development in Family Sciences Programs
FS	5823*	Families and Public Policy
FS	5833*	Family Economics
FS	5843*	Teaching Family Sciences
FS	5933	Practicum in Family Sciences
BUS	5273#	Personnel Administration
BUS	5523#	Management and Organization

\* The M.S. in Child Development has been approved by the National Council on Family Relations as meeting the Standards and Criteria required for the Provisional Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) designation. Courses marked with an asterisk must be completed in order to qualify for the abbreviated CFLE application process. In addition, FS 5843—Teaching Family Sciences must be completed beyond the 39 hours required for the nonthesis option degree.

# Suggested courses for an emphasis in administration of programs for young children.