

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

Students today, both college and non-college bound, will greatly benefit from Family and Consumer Sciences courses. Theory and hands-on practice are used to teach a wide variety of skills that are important in everyday life and many careers. No other curriculum deals entirely with the improvement of the quality of life, helps students learn how to manage problems of daily living and prepares them for future employment. (Adult Living and Parenting are recommended for all students regardless of the career path taken.) Both courses will benefit a future adult and parent.

Other courses are offered in the areas of Human Development, Foods and Nutrition, Housing and Interior Design and Fashion Merchandising. The following page discusses the career outlook for these fields of study. **Child Development and Early Childhood Care are accepted at Heartland Community College for credit in the Early Childhood Care and Education Department. Foods and Nutrition and Advanced Foods are accepted at Lincolnland Community College in the Hospitality Program.** Check with your advisor to see which courses are accepted for credit for a major in Family and Consumer Sciences at Illinois State University.

I'm going to college. What are the career opportunities in Family and Consumer Sciences?

The employment outlook for the Family and Consumer Sciences field is strong. It is projected that service-producing industries will account for most new jobs. Health services will account for almost 20% of all job growth. Home Health Aides, Elementary and Secondary teachers are in the top 20 occupations which will account for half of all job growth from 1994-2005. Currently the demand for Family and Consumer Sciences teachers will be over three times the supply.

A few of the other career opportunities related to Family and Consumer Sciences are as follows:

Foods/Nutrition

Executive Chef
Caterer
Dietician
Food Science/Research
Sports Nutritionist
Food Service Manager

Human Development

Preschool and Elementary School Teachers
Family and Consumer Sciences Teachers
Child Psychologists
Child Care Workers/Directors
Marriage and Family Counselors

Housing and Interior Design

Interior Designer
Architect
Independent Living Specialist
Energy Analyst
Kitchen Planner

Fashion Merchandising

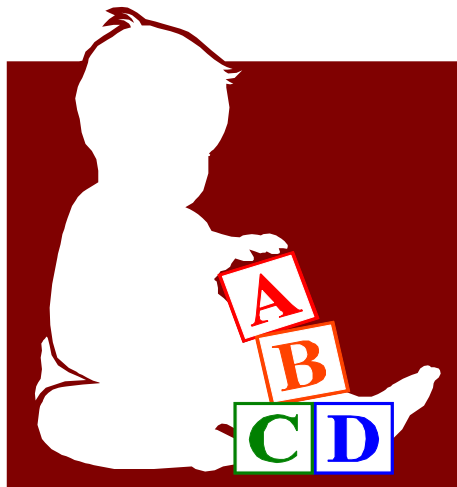
Fashion Designer
Apparel Buyer
Fashion Art Director
Textile Chemist
Alterations

I'm going to college. Will I have room in my schedule for Family and Consumer Sciences classes?

Yes! A sample schedule for a person wishing to enter a field related to early childhood education or elementary education is as follows:

Freshmen		Sophomore	
Lit. & Composition	Written & Oral Comm.	Amer. Lit. and Comp. I	Amer. Lit. and Comp. II
Algebra	Algebra	Geometry	Geometry
Biology	Biology	Science	Science
Regional World Studies	Regional World Studies	US Social & Geog. Hist.	US Political & Econ.
Wellness	Wellness	Drawing & Painting I	Contemporary Crafts
Keyboarding App.	Foods & Nutrition	Physical Education	PE/Driver Ed. Classroom
Junior		Senior	
Gems of Literature I	Gems of Literature II	English	English
Analytic Algebra	Analytic Algebra	Social Studies	Social Studies
Science	Science	*Early Childhood Care	*Early Childhood Care
Word Processing	*Child Development	Elective	Consumer Education
Ceramics & Sculpture I	Photography	Elective	Elective
Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education	Physical Education

*These courses count for credit at Heartland Community College in the Early Childhood Care and Education Department.



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FCS 051/052 FOODS & NUTRITION I **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (9, 10, 11, 12)**

Do you live to eat or eat to live? This class will answer that question while you investigate nutrition/wellness, meal planning, selection and preparation of food, responsible lab skills and time management, and consumer buying practices. A variety of lab experiences will be included.

FCS 102 FOODS & NUTRITION II **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (9, 10, 11, 12) 2nd Semester** ***Prerequisite: Grade of C or Above in Foods and Nutrition I***

Expand on skills and knowledge from Foods & Nutrition I. The variety of lab experiences will relate to preparing quantity foods and food presentation. Students will investigate recent innovations in the area of foods and nutrition. When time and opportunities permit, the student may participate in job shadowing.



FCS 151/152 CHILD DEVELOPMENT **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (10, 11, 12)**

Are you interested in understanding children? This course offers a thorough study of the child from conception through adolescence including physical, emotional, intellectual, and social development. The student gains knowledge for careers related to children and child care occupations which includes the opportunity to become certified in infant/child CPR.

FCS 251/252 PARENTING **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (10, 11, 12)**

Children don't come with instruction manuals. This course is designed to help you explore the responsibilities and roles of parenthood. Units include: determining parenting readiness, prenatal care, labor and delivery, infant care, development of children, guiding behavior of children, education of children (including special needs children), health and safety, and handling common problems associated with parenting. Students have the opportunity to be a parent through the Baby Think it Over Program. This course is recommended for any student who plans to eventually become a parent.

FCS 293 EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE **(Yearly 1 Credit) (11, 12)**

Prerequisite: Grade of C or Above in Child Development or Parenting

This class continues the exploration of child care and guidance. Emphasis is on the actual planning, set-up, operation, and evaluation of an in-school preschool program. The preschool is offered to preschool children in the community approximately eight weeks each semester. Activities focus on developing skills to become effective teachers. A job shadowing experience in child care or the educational field is included. Many child-related occupations are explored. If you like children or are considering a career working with children, this will be a great experience for you! You can gain Heartland College credit if you take Child Development and Early Childhood Care.



FCS 301 HOUSING & INTERIOR DESIGN I **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (10, 11, 12) 1st Semester**

Leave your "trademark." Create your own space using the elements of design (line, form, space, texture, color) and the principles of design (balance, rhythm, emphasis, scale, proportion, unity and variety). Experiment with the latest faux finishes and learn to apply wallpaper. Practice the fundamentals of creating floor plans, furniture arrangements and your own accessories. This "hands-on" course is for you if you enjoy creating your own space or are interested in a career related to Housing & Interior Design.

FCS 331 HOUSING & INTERIOR DESIGN II **(Semester 1/2 Credit) (11, 12) 1st Semester**

Prerequisite: Housing & Interior Design I

Continue to learn how to leave your "trademark" by creating your own space. Explore the history of architecture and discover how it relates to today's housing styles. Expand your floor plan drafting skills to include kitchens and bathrooms. Expand your ability to use window, wall and floor coverings and accessories to design a variety of rooms. Explore the career opportunities available by "job shadowing" someone in the field of housing and interior design.

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FCS 352 FASHION I

(Semester 1/2 Credit) (10, 11, 12) 2nd Semester

If you like to shop for clothing, or are interested in a career related to fashion, this class is for you! Learn about the current trends in fashion and fashion cycles. Apply the elements of design and the principles of design to determine which clothing styles look best on you to create your own personal wardrobe plan. By learning how to read a pattern and select suitable fabric, you will construct a clothing item of your choosing, based on your level of ability.

FCS 452 FASHION II

(Semester 1/2 Credit) (11, 12) 2nd Semester

Prerequisite: Fashion I

Explore the world of 20th century fashion designers to create your own clothing designs. Learn how to select clothing for different body types based on the elements and principles of design. Expand on the skills learned in Fashion I to select a pattern and fabric to construct a clothing item of your choosing based on your ability level. Investigate the career opportunities available by “job shadowing” someone in the fashion field.

FCS 501/502 ADULT LIVING

(Semester 1/2 Credit) (11, 12)

You’re legally an adult at 18...are you really ready? This course is designed to help you explore many of the decisions and responsibilities of adulthood. Topics include: relationships, marriage, sexuality, dealing with stress and crisis situations, and career exploration.

