



Grand Rapids  
Community College

Western Michigan University  
Bachelor of Science  
Family Science and Services, B.S.

Grand Rapids Community College  
Associate of Applied Arts and Science  
Child Development, A.A.A.S. with MTA

Catalog Year 2024 - 2025

I. GRCC REQUIRED COURSES FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT, A.A.A.S. (61 Credits)		
GRCC Course	WMU Equivalent	GRCC Credit Hours
*EN 101	ENGL 1050	3
*COM 131	COM 1040	3
*Humanities General Education – Elective	Varies	3-4
*Humanities General Education – Elective (must be a different discipline/subject from the humanities elective above)	Varies	3-4
*PY 201	PSY 1000	3
*Social Science General Education – Elective	Varies	3-4
*Natural Science General Education – Elective	Varies	3-5
*Natural Science with Lab General Education – Elective (must be a different discipline/subject from the natural science elective above)	Varies	3-5
*Math General Education - Elective	Varies	3-5
EDU 118	ED 2500 (substitute for FCS 2140)	4
EDU 209	EDU 209 + EDU 229 = ED 3090	4
EDU 210	FCS 3140	4
EDU 215	FCS Credit	3
EDU 229	EDU 209 + EDU 229 = ED 3090	4
EDU 230	SPED 3360	4
EDU 280	FCS Credit	3
EDU 285	FCS Credit	2
EDU 116	FCS 2100	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS AT GRCC		61 TRANSFERABLE CREDIT HOURS

Courses with an \* are required for the MTA; students must complete a minimum of 30 approved MTA credits.  
Only courses completed with a 2.0 or higher GPA will be eligible for transfer to WMU.

II. WMU REQUIRED COURSES FOR FAMILY SCIENCE AND SERVICES, B.S. (61 Credits)		
WMU Course	WMU Course Title	WMU Credit Hours
<b>Family Science and Services Cognates</b>		
FCS 1010	Practices and Professions in Family Science	3
FCS 1030	Lifespan Development	3
FCS 2170	Diverse Children, Families & Communities	3
FCS 2190	Principles of Research in Family Science	3
FCS 3170	Crisis and Resiliency in Families	3
FCS 3180	Intimate Relationships	3
FCS 4120	Family Policy <sup>LNP</sup>	3
FCS 4150	Parenting Roles, Relations and Partnerships	3
<b>Family Science and Services Core Courses</b>		
FCS 2090	Family Resource Management	3
FCS 3150	Global Ecology of the Family <sup>GP</sup>	3
FCS 4130	Later Life Family Relationships	3
FCS 4190	Teaching Family Life Education	3
FCS 4295	Internship in Family Science and Human Development (300-clock hours)	6
<b>Electives</b>		
Electives	Additional elective credits will be needed to reach the 60-credit hour minimum at a 4-year University and the 122-credit hour minimum to graduate with a bachelor's degree from WMU.	19
<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS AT WMU</b>		<b>61 CREDIT HOURS</b>

To meet minimum program requirements, a grade of C or better is required in all cognates and core courses.

<sup>LP</sup> satisfies WMU Essential Studies (WES) Level III Local and National Perspectives requirement.

<sup>GP</sup> satisfies WMU Essential Studies (WES) Level III Global Perspectives requirement.

TOTAL CREDITS (I – II)
61 GRCC Credits
61 WMU Credits
122 Total Credits

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### Program Agreement

This agreement shall commence as of August 21, 2024 and end on August 1, 2025. This program agreement shall abide by all language of the Institutional Agreement between Grand Rapids Community College and Western Michigan University.

WMU's Family Science and Services program prepares students to use preventive and educational approaches within a diversity of settings to strengthen individual and family well-being across the lifespan.

Graduates of the program are eligible to be granted provisional status as a Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) by the National Council on Family Relations. Recent graduates hold positions as sexuality educators, caseworkers, family court workers, substance abuse assessment specialists, and volunteer and activity directors in state government, community programs and public and private agencies.



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