

Child, Youth, and Family Studies

Bachelor of Applied Science

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What is a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree?

The BAS degree is an applied bachelor's degree with a total of 180 credits. It is specifically designed to build on professional-technical associate's degrees that provide workplace skills, such as the Associate in Applied Science-Transfer (AAS-T) degree. The BAS degree incorporates prior work experience and more hands-on learning. Graduates with a BAS degree may apply to related master's degree programs.

Child, Youth, and Family Studies - BAS Program Description

With a foundation in social justice, equity, and inclusion, the Child, Youth, and Family Studies - BAS (CYFS-BAS) degree provides advanced knowledge and skills for professional positions in early learning settings and social services programs for young children, youth, and families of diverse populations.

This interdisciplinary degree integrates Early Childhood Education, Human Services, Addiction Studies, and Family Support Studies as it emphasizes the whole family system and a holistic approach when working with children, youth, and families. Our program is cohort-based, has an evening, hybrid format, and does not require attendance during summer quarters.

Program Requirements Prior to Applying - 90 credits*

*If you have completed an AAS-T in Early Childhood Education, Human Services, Addiction Studies, or Family Support Studies, you will have completed the following requirements. However, an AAS-T is not required to apply to the program. Work with our Program Manager to determine your eligibility.

Proficiency Requirement (60 credits). Minimum 2.0 grade point for each course

This is met through the core courses of an AAS-T, or equivalent degree, in one of the four fields of study: Early Childhood Education, Human Services, Addiction Studies, and/or Family Support.

General Education Requirements (30 credits)

These credits may vary, please discuss with the Program Manager for credit evaluation.

Distribution Area	Recommended Courses Prior to the BAS-CYFS
Communication Skills	☐ ENGL& 101 (5 credits) ☐ ENGL& 102 (5 credits)
Quantitative Analysis/Symbolic Reasoning	□ MATH& 107 - Mathematics in Society OR□ MATH& 146 - Introduction to Statistics (5 credits)
Humanities	☐ CMST& 210 - Interpersonal Communications (5 credits)
Natural Sciences and Mathematics	☐ Natural Science course with Lab (5 credits)
Social Sciences	☐ Social Science course (5 credits)



Remaining Program Requirements in the CYFS-BAS - 90 credits

Additional General Education Requirements (30 credits)

These 30 credits are in addition to the 30 credits students typically complete prior to entering the program.

Upper Division - CYFS - Requirements (60 credits)

SAMPLE YEAR ONE	
Fall Quarter	 CYFS 310 Introduction to Child, Youth, and Family Studies (5 credits) CYFS 320 Resources and System Navigation (5 credits) General Education course (5 credits)
Winter Quarter	 CYFS 330 Applied Family Systems Theories (5 credits) CYFS 340 Professional Practice in Child, Youth, and Family Studies (5 credits) General Education course (5 credits)
Spring Quarter	 CYFS 350 Social Policy Issues and Advocacy (5 credits) CYFS 430 Trauma and Resilience in Children, Youth, and Families (5 credits) General Education course (5 credits)

SAMPLE YEAR TWO	
Fall Quarter	 CYFS 410 Social Justice in Child, Youth, and Family Studies (5 credits) CYFS 420 Applied Research Methods and Information Literacy (5 credits) General Education course (5 credits)
Winter Quarter	 CYFS 390 Practicum I (5 credits) CYFS 440 Leadership in Child, Youth, and Family Programs (5 credits) General Education course (5 credits)
Spring Quarter	 □ CYFS 490 Practicum II (5 credits) □ CYFS 495 Program Development and Capstone Project (5 credits) □ General Education course (5 credits)

Application Process

Acceptance into the CYFS-BAS program is by application only. Admission is determined holistically by several factors: coursework completed, grade point average (GPA), the application essay, and work experience. We encourage all who have met minimum requirements to apply. Students who are unsure if they qualify should work with the Program Manager. Cohorts begin each Fall quarter.

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