



**MASTER of SCIENCE**

# **FAMILY STUDIES**

*with a specialization in Christian Counseling*



## **Program Overview**

The Master of Science in Family Studies is an interdisciplinary degree offered on campus and online, emphasizing family life education. The mission of the Master of Science in Family Studies program is to offer students a multidisciplinary degree program utilizing curriculum from counseling and human behavior and development to prepare students for employment in settings such as social service agencies, religious institutions, parent education programs, juvenile services, day care facilities, foster care programs, and retirement and/or assisted living facilities. Graduates will provide prevention, enrichment, and education on the family and its interaction with other social systems in a wide range of organizations. The degree has a specialization in Christian Counseling. The program is offered through a combination of on-campus and online courses or 100% online.

\*This program does not lead to licensure as a Licensed Professional Counselor. Students seeking a program with the academic requirements for L.P.C. licensure in the State of Texas should select the Master of Arts in Professional Counseling.



## M.S. Family Studies Degree Plan with a specialization in Christian Counseling

<b>I. Required Graduate Studies</b>	<b>6 Hours</b>
RGS6035 Theory & Application of Research Methods	3 Hours
RGS6036 Ethics for Decision Making	3 Hours
<b>II. Major Course Requirements</b>	<b>18 Hours</b>
CSL6765 Crisis Counseling	3 Hours
CSL6801 Life Span Development	3 Hours
HBD6767 Family Studies	3 Hours
HBD6768 Aging with Dignity	3 Hours
HBD6769 Human Sexuality	3 Hours
HBD6771 Conflict Management & Resolution	3 Hours
<b>III. Specialization Requirement</b>	<b>9 Hours</b>
CSL6720 Christian Counseling	3 Hours
CSL6730 Family Life Ministry	3 Hours
CSL6860 Practical Experience in Christian Counseling	3 Hours
<b>IV. Specialization Elective</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>
One of the following courses:	
CSL6740 Counseling Ethics	3 Hours
CSL6782 Theories & Methods of Counseling	3 Hours
CSL6825 Marriage & Family Therapy	3 Hours
CSL6832 Multicultural Counseling	3 Hours
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>36 Hours</b>

\* Pre-practicum and practicum courses may not be used to fulfill counseling electives.

[See current catalog for prerequisites.](#)

Graduate certificates may be completed while fulfilling degree requirements.  
See the University website for a listing of certificates offered.