How to apply

You must apply to both graduate school and the School of Human Sciences.

Graduate School
- Complete graduate school application available online at sfaonline.sfasu.edu/hms
- Provide undergraduate transcript(s)

School of Human Sciences
- Contact the proper adviser for course information and application requirements

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About the Program

The Master of Science in Human Sciences is a 30-hour online degree with a thesis option. This degree offers graduate education to professionals in the field of family and consumer sciences.

The discipline’s fundamental focus is on humanity and the human condition throughout the life cycle. The School of Human Sciences offers seven program areas of focus from which to choose.

Program Areas
- Child and Family Development
- Fashion Merchandising
- Dietetics
- Interior Design
- Food, Nutrition, and Dietetics
- Hospitality Administration
- Family and Consumer Sciences

Program Benefits
- Benefits of an online program include:
  - Saves money on expenses such as gasoline and parking permits
  - Fits well with any work schedule
  - 24-hour access to your class
  - Allows you to work at your own pace

SFA’s M.S. in Human Sciences program is very affordable. The School of Human Sciences offers the largest number of scholarships at SFA. Financial aid is also available for qualified applicants. Links to scholarship information, financial aid, and a tuition and fees calculator are available online at sfaonline.sfasu.edu/hms.

Professionals who desire M.S. credentials with a focus in one of the following areas take general family and consumer science coursework with their research focused in the chosen program.

- Child and Family Development
- Food, Nutrition, and Dietetics
- Hospitality Administration
- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Fashion Merchandising
- Interior Design
- Interior Merchandising

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Child and Family Development

The child and family development focus provides an in-depth understanding of the growth, change and development of children and families in a social context.

Current information emphasizing a lifespan and family systems approach is taught. This knowledge base is essential for professional careers in early childhood and service-orientated professions. It also provides an academic foundation for a career as a child life specialist and early childhood interventionist.

Family and Consumer Sciences

The family and consumer sciences focus provides experience and instruction in all the human sciences subject areas.

This area prepares students for broad-based employment in the field of human sciences and for effective individual and family living.

Hospitality Administration

The hospitality administration focus is grounded in theory, yet prepares students to meet a growing demand in the areas of hotel operations, event management, and travel and tourism. M.S. graduates focusing in hospitality administration may become managers at hotels, resorts and spas, and may serve as consultants and restauranteurs.

Fashion Merchandising

Fashion merchandising involves all of the activities necessary to provide customers with the fashion apparel and accessories they want to buy, when and where they want it, and at prices they can afford and are willing to pay.

Interior Design

The interior design focus provides a broad general education that helps prepare for living and working as a design professional.

Interior Design is an integrated process applicable to both residential and commercial environments. It includes the designing and planning of space for commercial, industrial and residential areas. The in-depth look at the active, creative processes of programming and space planning can refer to residences, offices, banks, restaurants, hospitals, hotels, institutions and other specialized public spaces.

Food, Nutrition and Dietetics

Dietitians provide expertise on food safety and sanitation procedures, portion control, nutrition and budgeting.

The study of foods and nutrition offers entry into a dynamic profession with myriad opportunities. As society embraces healthy eating and preventative illness education, the demand for dietetics personnel increases. Food and nutrition experts will fill this increasing demand.

Responsibilities may include: personnel managing, menu planning and pricing, budgeting, purchasing, and merchandising to provide nutritional food that is palatable and appealing.