

FAMILY SCIENCE, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.)

All Ph.D. students must complete foundation coursework required for a master's degree in Family Science. At the discretion of the Department's Graduate Committee, students entering the Ph.D. program with a master's degree in a related discipline may make up deficiencies in coursework through classes taken at the beginning of the program. Students admitted full-time to the Ph.D. program post-master's can complete this program within three years, but typically finish within four years. Doctoral students must complete 56 credits beyond the master's degree.

Advance to Candidacy: In addition to the course requirements below, students must also complete a research internship paper (FMSC 689) and pass a qualifying exam in order to advance to candidacy.

Post-Candidacy: Complete at least 12 credits of FMSC899 Doctoral Dissertation Research and successfully defend and submit an original dissertation.

Course	Title	Credits
Required courses:		
FMSC601	Doctoral Seminar in the Process of Inquiry	1
FMSC606	Ethnic Families and Health Disparities	3
FMSC660	Program Planning and Evaluation in Family Science	3
FMSC689	Research Internship	3
FMSC750	Family and Health Policy	3
FMSC780	Qualitative Methods in Family and Health Research	3
FMSC810	Theory in Family Systems and Family Health	3
FMSC820	Advanced Quantitative Methods in Family and Health Research	3
FMSC850	Maternal & Child Health Epidemiology	3
FMSC879	Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals Seminar	4
EDMS646	General Linear Models I	3
EDMS651	General Linear Models II	3
or EDMS645	Quantitative Research Methods I	
SPHL600	Foundations of Public Health	3
Electives approved by Director of Graduate Studies		6
Doctoral Dissertation Research Requirements		
FMSC899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	12
Total Credits		56