

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES

What can I do with this degree?

AREAS	EMPLOYERS	STRATEGIES
<p><u>PRE-SCHOOL/DAY CARE</u> Teaching Administration</p>	<p>Church/religious organizations Montessori schools Private, public, franchise, and corporate daycare centers Private homes Family daycare Extended school programs</p>	<p>Develop physical stamina for working with children. Acquire certification/licensing for daycare and public school teaching.</p>
<p><u>COMMUNITY SERVICES</u></p>	<p>Community centers YMCA, YMCA Consumer protection agencies Summer camp programs Adult and child daycare providers Programs servicing children and adults with special needs Hospitals Rehabilitation organizations Retirement homes Travel agencies Insurance companies Church/religious organizations</p>	<p>Seek related work experience particularly summer camps or special needs areas. Obtain Child Life Certification for some areas.</p>
<p><u>SOCIAL SERVICES</u></p>	<p>Profit & nonprofit organizations geared to services for children, youth, families or senior citizens Adult and child daycare providers Senior citizens' programs Group homes Half-way houses Youth services agencies Federal, state and local government particularly Departments of Welfare and Health Foundations and funding organizations</p>	<p>Take counseling/social work courses as minor or double major. Obtain master's degree in counseling, social work or rehabilitation counseling to provide therapy. Get graduate degree for most administrative positions. Learn federal, state and local government application process.</p>

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<p><u>EDUCATION</u> Teaching Research Counseling Administration Home Economics Vocational Rehabilitation Parent-Child Education Curriculum Development</p> <p>Early Childhood Special Education</p>	<p>Public and private schools K-12 Public preschool programs, e.g., Head Start Private preschool programs Adult Education programs Colleges and universities Programs servicing children and adults with special needs. Montessori schools Government</p>	<p>Acquire certification/licensing for public school teaching K-12. Obtain PhD for college and university teaching and research. Acquire certification for daycare and parent-child education. Obtain graduate degree for counseling and administrative positions. Learn federal and state government job application process.</p> <p>Double major in Special Education.</p>
<p><u>MEDICAL</u> Social Services Childcare Programs Advocacy Education</p>	<p>Hospitals Healthcare facilities Mental Health organizations Health and wellness agencies Hospices</p>	<p>Take counseling/social work courses. May need master's degree in counseling, social work or specialized area. Obtain experience in advocacy. Acquire licensing/certification for some areas.</p>
<p><u>BUSINESS</u> Management Sales Consulting Credit Departments Staff Benefits Marketing Research</p>	<p>Corporate care for children and adults Daycare facilities Department and rental stores Manufacturing companies of children's clothes, toys, furniture and food. Insurance companies Banks and financial institutions</p>	<p>Obtain a minor in business Get related experience. Secure leadership positions on campus. Develop business skill in finance, accounting, marketing/sales, taxes, and bookkeeping.</p>
<p><u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> Journalism Advertising Public Relations Writing/Editing Research</p>	<p>Advertising agencies Book publishers Trade associations Radio and TV stations Nonprofit organizations Government agencies Manufacturers of related goods Newspapers and magazines, particularly those geared to children/family.</p>	<p>Minor or double major in journalism Develop excellent grammar, verbal and writing skills. Submit articles/books for publication.</p>

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<p><u>GOVERNMENT</u> Human/Social Services Rehabilitation Home Economics Legislation</p>	<p>Federal, state and local government agencies including: Mental Health agencies Military child care programs Overseas child care and education programs Criminal justice system Health and wellness agencies Women's protective agencies Departments of Health, Education and Welfare, Sanitation, Fire/Safety, Nutrition, Cooperative Extension Vocational rehabilitation</p>	<p>Learn federal, state and local job application procedures Take additional courses in area of interest.</p>
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GENERAL INFORMATION

- Bachelor's degree sufficient for entry-level positions.
- Licensure obtained in five-year program for teaching positions
- Ph.D. degree required for college teaching and advanced research positions.
- Master's degree or Ph.D. often needed for administrative and supervisory positions.
- Obtain part-time, summer, internship or volunteer experience in childcare, schools, hospitals, camps, overseas programs, advocacy/service-oriented programs dealing with alcoholism, drug-abuse, family violence, aging, poor, disabled, etc.
- Additional or specialized training qualities for higher paying and more responsible positions.
- Advanced degrees essential for clinical and therapeutic counseling positions.
- Obtain information on certification for specialized areas including Child Life Specialist, Child Advocacy.
- Develop interest and gain experience in computers, arts, crafts, music, etc.
- Obtain certification in CPR, safety, and first aid for adults, children, and infants.