



BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD & FAMILY STUDIES

Graduate Study

MAT—Early Childhood Education
Master of Counseling Psychology
Master of Social Work

Career Paths

Department of Social Services:
Child Care Licensing, Child Welfare
Director of Early Learning Centers
Early Intervention Specialist
Teacher: Early Head Start,
First Step 4K, Head Start
Program Director

If you pursue a degree in Early Childhood and Family Studies, you will be able to:

- Understand young children's characteristics and needs, along with the multiple influences on learning and development.
- Use your understanding of family and community characteristics to support families and communities in developing respectful, reciprocal relationships.
- Practice responsible assessment based on your knowledge of the goals, benefits, and uses of different assessment tools and approaches.
- Build meaningful curriculum in all areas using deep content knowledge.
- Uphold ethical standards and professional guidelines and engage in informed advocacy for young children, their families, and the early childhood profession.

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You can make a positive difference in children's lives, and the Early Childhood and Family Studies degree at SWU will show you how. This interdisciplinary program covers early childhood education, psychology, and sociology and prepares you to work in various settings that serve young children. Learning about all aspects of childhood development will help you offer guidance, employ teaching strategies, and create developmentally appropriate educational experiences. During the program, you'll work with young children and their families.

SWU's BS in Early Childhood and Family Studies will prepare you to teach preschoolers, work in university child development and military child care centers, or pursue graduate education and teaching certification. The South Carolina Head Start Association, the South Carolina Head Start Collaboration Office, the South Carolina First Steps program, South Carolina Endeavors, and T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood support the program. Many of our students receive T.E.A.C.H. scholarships.