Department of Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics

Master of Science Degree Requirements
Consumer Economics, Non-Thesis Option

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<th>Course</th>
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<td>FHCE 6100</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Economic Status of American Households and Related Policy</td>
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<td>The interrelationship between demographic and family economic characteristics and well-being. Poverty, income, public policy, and other determinants of the economic status of households</td>
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<td>FHCE 6270</td>
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<td>Behavioral Economics and Financial Planning for Families</td>
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<td>The financial planning decisions of families from the perspective of behavioral economics. Behavioral economic models are applied to examine how families manage or mismanage their finances. Students in this class will explore these issues through assigned readings, case studies, exams, and homework assignments</td>
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<td>FHCE 6400</td>
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<td>Family Demographics and Policy</td>
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<td>FHCE 6400e</td>
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<td>Family Demographics and Policy (Online)</td>
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<td>FHCE 7100</td>
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<td>Consumer Protection</td>
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<td>Consumer rights and responsibilities in the private and public sector of the economy. Relationship of government, nonprofit, and corporate response to consumer problems; legislation concerning consumer information, product safety, and choice of goods and channels of appeal for the consumer.</td>
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<td>FHCE 7000</td>
<td>3-15</td>
<td>Master’s Research for Culminating Experience</td>
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<td>Research while enrolled for a master's degree under the direction of faculty members</td>
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<td>FHCE 7710</td>
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<td>Study Tour in FHCE (Washington D.C.)</td>
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<td>Topics relating to financial planning, housing and/or consumer economics, with site visits to relevant locations. Combines in-depth study with first-hand experience gained on site</td>
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<td>FACS 7905</td>
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<td>Legislative Aide Internship</td>
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15 Total Core Hours

CONCENTRATION & ALLIED/SUPPORT AREA COURSES

In consultation with the student’s advisory committee, 15 or more credits are completed in FHCE and allied departments. These may include courses that develop topical area expertise, as well as research methods, statistics, econometrics, and similar courses that prepare students for applied research careers.

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<td>AAEC/ECOL 7860</td>
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<td>Resource Economics and Management (pre-req: AAEC 6580-6580L or ECON 8000)</td>
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<td>AAEC/ECOL 8700</td>
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<td>Advanced Environmental Economics and Policy Analysis (a solid working knowledge of microeconomic theory is essential)</td>
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<td>HDFS 6130</td>
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<td>Family Policy (spring only)</td>
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<td>FDNS 6600</td>
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<td>Food Nutrition Policy</td>
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<td>FHCE 8400</td>
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<td>HPAM 7010</td>
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<td>Intro to Health Policy and Management</td>
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<td>Foundations of Policy Analysis</td>
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<td>PADP 7240</td>
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<td>Nonprofit Advocacy and Social Change: Lobbying, Advocacy and Influence in the Nonprofit Sector (not offered regularly)</td>
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<td>SOWK 6011</td>
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<td>Social Welfare Policy and Social Work Profession</td>
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<td>+WFED 9010</td>
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<td>+GRNT 7610</td>
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<td>Economics of Aging</td>
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<td>+POLS 6140/8140</td>
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<td>The Legislative Process</td>
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<td>JURI 6177</td>
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<td>Consumer Law</td>
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<td>IHHDDs 7720 (e)</td>
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<td>Advocacy Practices in Disability (pre-req: IHDD 6001)</td>
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<td>+POLS 8130</td>
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<td>Government and Interest Groups</td>
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<td>Introduction to Rational Choice Theory</td>
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**Total Hours**

30

+ must have approval from offering department

* could be taken while undergraduate student for Double Dawgs