



Fall 1	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 103	3	
COMS 100	3	
Gen Ed: Humanities (VPA)	3	
MATH Core Competency	3	
SOCI 170	3	
UNIV 101	1	
Total hours	16	
Notes/Comments: 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting		

Spring 1	Credits	Success Marker
ENGL 104	3	
STAT 208	3	
Gen Ed: Humanities (LAS)	3	
PSYC 102	3	
Gen Ed: Interdisciplinary Studies	3	
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments: 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting		

Fall 2	Credits	Success Marker
Gen Ed: Humanities	3	
FCNS 230 or 280	3	
BIOS 103, 104 or 109	3-4	
Gen Ed or Elective	3	
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Total hours	15-16	
Notes/Comments: 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting 2. Students must earn a C or better in ENGL 104 or 105; PSYC 102; FCNS 230 or FCNS 280; and successfully complete the NIU math core competency requirement or have a C or better in STAT 208 or MATH 110.		

Spring 2	Credits	Success Marker
FCNS 230 or 280	3	• Apply to the Child Development Program by March 1st (Limited admissions Major)
FCNS 284	3-4	
Gen Ed: Science and Math	3	
Gen Ed or Elective	3	
Major Elective: From List ²	3	
Total hours	15-16	
Notes/Comments: 1. Attend required Child Development Meeting 2. ENGL 250, IHHS 350, MATH 155, 201, 210, 211, 229, PHIL 105 or PSYC 305		

Summer 2	Credits	Success Marker
Total hours	0	• Work on volunteer hours

Fall 3	Credits	Success Marker
FCNS 231	3	• Only if admitted to the program
FCNS 330	3	
FCNS 332	3	
FCNS 498	3	
Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Spring 3	Credits	Success Marker
FCNS 331	3	
Elective: Major Emphasis	3	
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Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Elective: 300/400 Level	3	
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Summer 3	Credits	Success Marker
Total hours	0	• Work on volunteer hours

Fall 4	Credits	Success Marker
FCNS 432	3	• Apply for graduation (12/1 for May, 5/1 for August, or 7/1 for December)
FCNS 482	3	
Elective: Major Emphasis	3	
Elective: Major, Minor or Other	3	
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Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Spring 4	Credits	Success Marker
FCNS 490	12	• Meet all degree requirements based on courses in progress.
Elective: Major, Minor or Other	1-3	
Total hours	13-15	
Notes/Comments: FCNS 490 is offered each semester. Please watch the bulletin boards outside of Wirtz 118 for information regarding mandatory meetings at which you apply for your space in the course		

Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam scores in math as well as the completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor each semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.