

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY STUDIES, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY SPECIALIZATION, PLAN A AND PLAN B

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The Marriage and Family Therapy Specialization, which is accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Marriage and Family Therapy Education (<http://coamfte.org>), provides a specific professional curriculum that prepares graduates to work as marriage and family therapists. Courses focus on individual and family development, evidence-based clinical practices, social justice frameworks, and research methods. Students also complete a thesis (Plan A) or capstone project (Plan B). Training includes practicum and internship experiences with live supervision in the CSU Center for Family and Couple Therapy (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/cfct/>), CSU Campus Connections: Therapeutic Youth Mentoring (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/cc/>), and the CSU Trauma and Resilience Assessment Center (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/ctrac/>), all located on CSU's campus under the direction of faculty in the MFT program. Most graduates of this program go on to work as therapists in private practice or in mental health agencies. Some students enter doctoral programs upon graduation, including CSU's Ph.D. in Applied Developmental Science (<http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/colleges/health-human-sciences/human-development-family-studies/applied-developmental-science-phd/>).

Learn more about the Master's in Human Development and Family Studies, Marriage and Family Therapy Specialization, Plan A and Plan B, on the Department of Human Development and Family Studies website (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/hdfs/programs-and-degrees/m-s-in-human-development-and-family-studies/marriage-and-family-therapy-specialization/>).