Why Major in Family and Consumer Sciences Education?

- This major offers kindergarten through twelfth grade certification in Family & Consumer Sciences, giving you the opportunity to teach any age group you desire in either a private or public school setting.

- The FCS education major is also a wonderful educational background for those who desire to pursue advanced education and become a school guidance counselor, since many schools prefer those with teaching experience for this role.

- According to the Pennsylvania Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, FCS professionals, "develop, integrate and provide practical knowledge about the things of everyday life- human growth and development, personal behaviors, housing and environment, food and nutrition, apparel and textiles and resource management- that every individual needs every day to make sounds decisions which contribute to a healthy, productive and more fulfilling life." www.pafcs.org/about-us

- Our FCS education major is crafted to meet the revised academic standards for family and consumer sciences education, assuring you the best possible preparation. You will take courses in human development and family science, education, food and nutrition, and early childhood education. The curriculum includes at least four public schools, middle and high school, urban and suburban and Early Childhood practicum/student teaching experiences through the four-year program.

- Graduates of Messiah University's Family and Consumer Sciences major are eligible to receive the provisional Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE) designation from the National Council on Family Relations. The numerous professional advantages of this credential are delineated at: www.ncfr.org/cfle-certification

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