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# Human Ecology

*"Improving the lives of individuals and families"*



College of Applied & Natural Sciences  
Louisiana Tech University

## Human Ecology: Improving Lives Since 1894

### Mission

Through excellence in teaching, research, and service; the School of Human Ecology prepares students to meet the changing needs of individuals, families, consumers, and communities.

Human Ecology programs have been an integral part of Louisiana Tech University since its inception in 1894. Tech was the first university in the state and the third in the south to offer programs in human ecology disciplines.

Louisiana Tech University, with an enrollment of over 10,000 students, is large enough to offer diverse courses of study and small enough to maintain a friendly atmosphere.

The School of Human Ecology is accredited by the Council for Accreditation of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. Individual programs of study are also accredited by individual professional organizations.

### Values

The School of Human Ecology Values:

- Students
- Quality Instruction and Advising
- Experiential Education / Service Learning
- Research
- Teamwork and Collaboration
- Leadership Development and Advocacy
- Lifelong Learning
- Diversity

### Programs Offer Opportunities for:

- Practica and internship experiences
- Membership in professional organizations
- Field study and travel
- Profession growth

The School of Human Ecology at Louisiana Tech University offers concentrations within four undergraduate degree programs . . .

## Family and Child Studies

*“Improving the quality of life for individuals and families through all stages of life”*

Are you interested in working with children and families? Consider a Bachelor of Science degree in FCS in one of the following concentrations:

### Applied Child Development

Students focus on the development of the whole child, learning how to interact with and help children as individuals.



### Child Life

Students focus on the emotional and developmental needs of children to help reduce stress for children and their families as a Certified Child Life Specialist in a hospital or health care setting.



### Family Science

Students focus on all stages of the family life cycle preparing them to help families to overcome specific challenges related to their physical, social, and emotional well-being.



## Family and Consumer Sciences Education

*“Improving the quality of life for individuals and families through education”*

Are you interested in consumer issues, parenting and family relations, clothing and textiles, nutrition, wellness, and food safety? Consider a Bachelor of Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences Education.



The emphasis of Family and Consumer Sciences Education is meeting the educational needs of young people and adults.

The program equips student to teach family life and consumer skills such as resource management, nutrition and wellness, human development and family relations, clothing and textiles, and housing and interior furnishings.



The degree program offered in Family and Consumer Sciences Education meets the teacher certification requirements mandated by the Louisiana Department of Education. Graduates are certified to teach grades 6-12.

## Merchandising and Consumer Studies

*“Improving the quality of life for individuals and families in a consumer environment”*

Are you interested in working with consumers? Consider a Bachelor of Science degree in Merchandising and Consumer Studies in one of the following concentrations:

### Merchandising



The concentration's integrative approach prepares students to work in specialized areas such as retail, wholesale, visual merchandising and design, human resources, and public relations. Coursework provides students opportunities for creative expression and development of marketing, business, and communication skills through hands-on practical experience.

### Consumer Studies



The concentration's integrative approach in the areas of public policy and public relations and events management prepare students for careers that focus on how businesses, government agencies, and community organizations interact with and promote the well-being of consumers and families. Coursework provides “hands-on” practical experience in personal finance, public relations, and event planning.

## Nutrition and Dietetics

*“Improving the quality of life for individuals and families through health and nutrition”*

Are you interested in health and wellness, nutrition and food science,



Dietetics.

The program provides students with training in human nutrition, food systems management, diet therapy, community nutrition, and experimental methods in food science.



A post-baccalaureate dietetic internship is offered to students upon completion of the Bachelor of Science requirements. The internship provides students the opportunity to meet the American Dietetic Association performance requirements in preparation to take the Registered Dietitian exam.