Department of Human Ecology

The **Department of Human Ecology**, a unit in the **College of Agriculture and Related Sciences** [1], embraces and promotes the land-grant mission of the university, which is excellence in teaching, research and outreach. The Department offers three undergraduate programs: **Food and Nutritional Science** [2] **(FNS curriculum)** [3], [3]**Textiles and Apparel Studies** [4] **(** [5]**TAS curriculum)** [5], and **Consumer Sciences (CS curriculum)** [6]**;** and two graduate programs: **Master of Science in Food Science** (**MS-FS curriculum**) and **Master of Science in Family and Consumer Science Education** (**MS-FCSE-curriculum**).

The Department promotes diversity by recruiting students from under-represented groups and internationally to meet its global commitment. Undergraduate and graduate course delivery methods incorporate emerging technologies and advanced teaching tools to enhance graduates? reading, writing, speaking, computer competency, critical thinking and problem solving skills. A ***Baccalaureate degree*** is conferred upon completion of ***a minimum of 125 hours of course work,*** whereas ***Master of Science degrees*** are conferred upon completion of ***a minimum of 24 credit hours of graduate level coursework and 6 credits of thesis work.***

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Why choose Human Ecology programs at DSU?

There are many reasons for choosing to study Consumer Science, Food and Nutritional Sciences, or Textiles and Apparel Studies at Delaware State University. Whether it is the degree programs that we offer, or the experience that you will acquire both inside and outside of the classroom, a DSU degree in Consumer Science, Food and Nutritional Science or Textiles and Apparel Studies will provide you with the knowledge, skills and competency that are required in the global economy. We have a multitude of contacts with businesses and organizations that show great interest in hiring our graduates. Our teaching methods that expose students to new technology and research will prepare you for graduate and professional programs with assistantship in some of the top graduate schools in the nation.

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