



**Exclusive to OU-Tulsa**, the Master of Arts in Childhood Well-Being program provides students insight and training in the areas of education, health, family and community, and economic well-being of children. **These skills are invaluable to a range of professions** including child and family advocates, education practitioners, policymakers, public officials, and concerned citizens, allowing them to focus on the needs of children and families, particularly those who are vulnerable and at risk for poor outcomes.

### NATIONAL KIDS COUNT PROJECT

The **National Kids Count Project** develops and distributes data-driven reports on key areas of child and family well-being and demographic trends, including its annual KIDS COUNT Data Book, which regularly garners national attention. The Master of Arts in Childhood Well-Being is a **36-hour, non-thesis program** that enables students to develop expertise in the trends outlined in the National Kids Count Project, providing a platform for a multidisciplinary view of holistic child well-being.



The Master of Arts in Childhood Well-Being program uses a cohort model, meaning all students in the program will begin at the same time and take classes together, and focuses on four broad themes as well as professional growth:

- Education - 9 hours
- Health - 6 hours
- Family & Community - 6 hours
- Economic Well-Being - 6 hours
- Statistics - 3 hours
- Electives - 6 hours

## WHAT TYPE OF STUDENT SHOULD ENROLL IN THIS PROGRAM?

Successful students will have a bachelor's degree and interest in child welfare. Due to the multi-disciplinary nature of the program, students with backgrounds in early childhood, child development, special education, pediatric social work, child psychology, health and exercise sciences would be a good fit. A background in education is not required for admission.



**The application process is simple.  
Just submit the following:**

- Application
- Resume
- Personal Statement
- Transcript

**This 36-hour, non-thesis program does NOT require the GRE or recommendation letters for admission.**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Will faculty from multiple OU-Tulsa departments be teaching in this program?**

Yes, this program has a multi-disciplinary focus. Faculty from Social Work, Urban Design, Public Administration, Education, and Allied Health will be teaching in this program. Student are allowed to choose their electives, allowing them to dig deeper into a specific content area.

**Is this degree program offered at any other higher education institutions?**

No, this degree program is a unique offering at OU-Tulsa

**When and where are classes held?**

This graduate program is tailored for the working professional, with most classes offered face-to-face in the evenings and some weekends at the OU-Tulsa capus in midtown. Some classes may be fully on-line or hybrid (mixture of synchronous and asynchronous).

**How many credit hours is the program?**

The program is 36 hours and does not require a thesis.

**Who can I contact with program-specific questions?**

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