



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
College of Human Sciences

School of Financial Planning

Master of Science in Personal Financial Planning (non-thesis)

Degree Plan

Name: _____ R# _____ CH/Semester: _____ Graduation Semester _____

Certificates: _____ Financial Health and Wellness _____ Charitable Financial Planning

Core Required Courses (28 hours)¹

Students with existing CFP education or credentialing can substitute content, see footnote #1.

X=Rotation; Enter Yr

Course #	Prereq ²	Pre or Coreq ²	Course Name	Hrs	✓	FA		SP		SU	
Term						1	2	1	2	1	2
PFP 5371	none		Fundamentals of PFP	3		X		X		Full	
PFP 5350		PFP 5371	Individual Tax Planning Topics	3			X		X	Full	
PFP 5472	PFP 5371	PFP 5350	Wealth Management	4			X		X		
PFP 5397	PFP 5371		Risk Management and Insurance Planning	3		X		X		Full	
PFP 5377	none		Psychology of Financial Planning I	3				X		Full	
PFP 5385	none		Behavioral Finance from a PFP Perspective	3				Full			
PFP 5398	PFP 5371	PFP 5350	Estate Planning	3					X	X	
PFP 5394	PFP 5371, 5350, 5472		Retirement Planning	3			X		X	Full	
PFP 5373	All but 5377 & 5385	PFP 5377, 5385	Personal Financial Planning Capstone	3		X		X		Full	
Required Credit Hours				28							

Electives (8 hours)

Course #	Prereq	Pre or Coreq	Course Name	Hrs	✓	FA		SP		SU	
Term						1	2	1	2	1	2
Minimum Required Elective Credit Hours				8							
Total Required Hours for Degree Plan				36							

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¹ The "core required courses" are required for students to be educationally qualified to sit for the CFP® Certification Examination. Students with upper-division undergraduate, graduate, or certificate coursework in a CFP Board Registered Program are permitted to substitute the courses completed successfully in their prior education program with elective classes (see page 2) at the discretion of the M.S. Program Director in collaboration with the student upon review of the student's transcript and MS degree goals. Those with an active CFP® certification are eligible to substitute all "core required courses" with other classes.

² Students must average a 3.0 GPA to maintain good standing with the Graduate School and to Graduate. Students must earn a C- or better in the core required courses to proceed through the degree plan.



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Course #	Prereq	Pre or Coreq	Course Name	Hrs	✓	FA		SP		SU	
Term						1	2	1	2	1	2
Professional Practice											
PFP 5380	PFP 5394	PFP 5472, 5398, 5350	Professional Technology in PFP	3				Full		Full	
PFP 5395	All but 5377 & 5385	PFP 5377, 5385, 5373	Comprehensive Financial Planning Review	3		Full		Full		Full	
PFP 5176	PFP 5472		Security Industry Essentials for Financial Planning Professionals	1		Full		Full			
PFP 5189	none		Professional Development in PFP I	1		Full					
PFP 5289	PFP 5189	PFP 5371	Professional Development in PFP II	2				Full			
PFP 5399	PFP 5189, 5289		Professional Residency in PFP	3						Full	
Investments											
PFP 5302	none		Cryptocurrency from a PFP Perspective	3						May INT	
Psychology and Behavior											
Charitable Financial Planning Certificate ¹											
PFP 5325	none		Introduction to Charitable Giving	3		Full					
PFP 5326	none		Charitable Planning for Large Estates	3				Full			
PFP 5327	none		Charitable Giving: Research, Theory & Marketing	3		Full					
PFP 5328	none		Planned Giving Demographics & Decision Making	3						Full	
Financial Health and Wellness Certificate											
PFP 5377	none		Psychology of Financial Planning I (required)	3				X		Full	
PFP 6394	none		Psychology of Financial Planning II	3		X			X		
PFP 5378	None		Interdisciplinary Approaches in Financial Health and Wellness	3			X			Full	
Teaching (Human Sciences Education & Training Graduate Certificate)											
FCSE 5302	See Department of Family & Consumer Sciences Education for pre/corequisites.		Curriculum Development in Family and Consumer Sciences	3		See Department of Family & Consumer Sciences Education for course schedule.					
FCSE 5306			Practical Reasoning in Human Sciences	3							
FCSE 5342			Contemporary Adult and Continuing Education in Human Sciences	3							
FCSE 6305			Program Evaluation in Human Sciences	3							
FCSE 6343			University Teaching in Human Sciences	3							
FCSE 6345			Teaching and Presenting in Human Sciences (May sub for one of the above required courses)	3							
Research ²											
PFP 6394	none		Psychology of Financial Planning II	3		X			X		
PFP 6310	none		Statistics for Financial Planning	3		X					
PFP 6397	PFP 6301 & 6305		Research Seminar in PFP (prerequisites waived at the discretion of the instructor and Ph.D. Program Director)	3		X					

Note - This list of electives is not exhaustive. Students can select electives that align with their education goals pending approval of the program/instructor.

¹ The graduate certificate in charitable financial planning requires 12 credit hours. However, one of the four courses can be a substitute course such as another PFP grad course, or another pre-approved graduate course (typically estate planning).

² MS students may take any CFP Board course or elective that is typically open to MS students. Additionally, each of the following doctoral classes may be taken by an MS student with permission from the instructor and Ph.D. Program director. Taking Ph.D. courses does not at any point guarantee admission into the PhD program.