

**Family File: Detailed College
Major Code File 2019-2023**

Codebook

Number of Variables

19

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FCMJ1 "RELEASE NUMBER" NUM(1.0)

Release number

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
27,928	100.00	1	Release number 1, May 2025

FCMJ2 "YEAR" NUM(4.0)

Year of interview

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
9,569	34.26	2,019	College major detail information from the 2019 Family File
9,207	32.97	2,021	College major detail information from the 2021 Family File
9,152	32.77	2,023	College major detail information from the 2023 Family File

FCMJ3 "FAMILY INTERVIEW (ID) NUMBER" NUM(5.0)

Family Interview (ID) Number

This variable contains values for the family interview number for each wave of College Major Detailed data. FCMJ2 (Year of Interview) must be used as a subset selector, since family interview number values are not unique across waves. If the data are first subset using FCMJ2, then the values here are unique within the selected wave and link the College Major detail data with that wave's single year family-level data.

For example if one wanted to merge records with the 2019 Family File, first subset FCMJ2=2019 then FCMJ3 corresponds to ER72002 the 2019 Family Interview (ID) number.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
27,928	100.00	1 - 9,614	Actual family interview number

FCMJ4 "L55A BACHELOR DEG AREA OF STUDY #1 - RP" CHR(7)

L55a. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #1

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
700	2.51	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
1,799	6.44	99.9999	DK, NA; refused

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25,429 91.05 00.0000 Inap.: educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; highest degree is Associate's or Bachelor's; DK, NA, or RF highest degree

FCMJ5 "L55A BACHELOR DEG AREA OF STUDY #2 - RP"

CHR(7)

L55a. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #2

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
50	.18	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,878	99.82	00.0000	Inap.: educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; highest degree is Associate's or Bachelor's; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ6 "L55E HIGHEST DEG AREA OF STUDY #1 - RP"

CHR(7)

L55e. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) highest degree?--MAJOR #1

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
8,813	31.56	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
864	3.09	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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18,251 65.35 00.0000 Inap.: educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree

FCMJ7 "L55E HIGHEST DEG AREA OF STUDY #2 - RP"

CHR(7)

L55e. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) highest degree?--MAJOR #2

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
712	2.55	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,216	97.45	00.0000	Inap.: educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ8 "L78F2 AREA STUDY BACHELOR DEG MEN#1 - RP"

CHR(7)

L78f2. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #1

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
124	.44	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
5	.02	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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27,799 99.54 00.0000 Inap.: new Reference Person in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; received associate's or bachelor's degree; DK, NA, or RF highest college degree received

FCMJ9 "L78F2 AREA STUDY BACHELOR DEG MEN#2 - RP"

CHR(7)

L78f2. What was (your/his/her) major at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #2

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
13	.05	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,915	99.95	00.0000	Inap.: new Reference Person in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; received associate's or bachelor's degree; DK, NA, or RF highest college degree received; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ10 "L78G AREA OF STUDY HIGHEST DEG MEN #1-RP"

CHR(7)

L78g. (And) What was (your/his/her) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) highest degree (since our last interview on [PY IW DATE])?--MAJOR #1

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
322	1.15	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
10	.04	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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27,596 98.81 00.0000 Inap.: new Reference Person in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree

FCMJ11 "L78G AREA OF STUDY HIGHEST DEG MEN #2-RP" CHR(7)

L78g. (And) What was (your/his/her) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/he/she) received (your/his/her) highest degree (since our last interview on [PY IW DATE])?--MAJOR #2

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
16	.06	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,912	99.94	00.0000	Inap.: new Reference Person in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Reference Person received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; DK,NA, or RF first mention; no second mention

FCMJ12 "K55A BACHELOR DEG AREA OF STUDY #1 - SP" CHR(7)

K55a. What was (your/her/his) major or majors at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #1

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
640	2.29	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
1,302	4.66	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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25,986 93.05 00.0000 Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; highest degree is associate's or bachelor's; DK, NA, or RF highest degree

FCMJ13 "K55A BACHELOR DEG AREA OF STUDY #2 - SP" CHR(7)

K55a. What was (your/her/his) major or majors at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #2

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

This variable contains the full code for the detailed course description which is formatted XX.XXXX.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
75	.27	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,853	99.73	00.0000	Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; highest degree is associate's or bachelor's; DK, NA, or RF highest degree; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ14 "K55E HIGHEST DEG AREA OF STUDY #1 - SP" CHR(7)

K55e. (And) What was (your/her/his) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) highest degree?--MAJOR #1

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
5,840	20.91	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
690	2.47	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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21,398 76.62 00.0000 Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree

FCMJ15 "K55E HIGHEST DEG AREA OF STUDY #2 - SP" CHR(7)

K55e. (And) What was (your/her/his) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) highest degree?--MAJOR #2

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

This variable contains the full code for the detailed course description which is formatted XX.XXXX.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
359	1.29	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,569	98.71	00.0000	Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; completed less than one year of college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ16 "K78F2 AREA STUDY BACHELOR DEG MEN#1 - SP" CHR(7)

K78f2. What was (your/her/his) major or majors at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #1

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
93	.33	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
4	.01	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

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27,831 99.65 00.0000 Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; new Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; received associate's or bachelor's degree; DK, NA, or RF highest college degree received

FCMJ17 "K78F2 AREA STUDY BACHELOR DEG MEN#2 - SP" CHR(7)

K78f2. What was (your/her/his) major or majors at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) bachelor's degree?--MAJOR #2

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

This variable contains the full code for the detailed course description which is formatted XX.XXXX.

Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
6	.02	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,922	99.98	00.0000	Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; new Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; received associate's or bachelor's degree; DK, NA, or RF highest college degree received; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention

FCMJ18 "K78G AREA OF STUDY HIGHEST DEG MEN #1-SP" CHR(7)

K78g. (And) What was (your/her/his) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) highest degree since our last interview on [PY IW DATE]?--MAJOR #1

This variable was coded using the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIPCode 2010.csv) frame downloaded on 7/10/2019 from the National Center for Education Statistics page: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/resources.aspx?y=55>.

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Count	%	Value/Range	Code Value/Range Text
204	.73	01.0000 - 60.0602	Detailed CIP frame
9	.03	99.9999	DK; NA; refused

Family File: Detailed College Major Code File 2019-2023

27,715	99.24	00.0000	Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; new Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree
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FCMJ19 "K78G AREA OF STUDY HIGHEST DEG MEN #2-SP"

CHR (7)

K78g. (And) What was (your/her/his) (major/area of study) at the college or university from which (you/she/he) received (your/her/his) highest degree since our last interview on [PY IW DATE]?--MAJOR #2

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-	-	99.9999	DK; NA; refused
27,922	99.98	00.0000	Inap.: no Spouse/Partner in FU; new Spouse/Partner in FU; educated outside the U.S. only or had no education; NA or RF where Spouse/Partner received education; did not attend college; DK, NA, or RF whether attended college; did not receive a college degree; DK, NA, or RF whether received a college degree; DK, NA, or RF to first mention; no second mention