The Frances McClelland Institute for Children, Youth, and Families serves as a catalyst for cross-disciplinary research on children, youth, and families at the University of Arizona. Our research initiatives address questions important to the development and well-being of contemporary children, youth, and families, with the goal of improving basic understanding to enhance the lives of the people of Arizona and the world. We conduct research on children, youth, and families through cross-disciplinary initiatives that engage experienced and emerging scholars in active collaboration. Our initiatives include research on child and adolescent development, parenting, close relationships, and family life across the lifespan. We translate the results of our research for community application and public use.

**Collective Major Accomplishments during 2011**

**Research**
- During the calendar year, excluding prior funded grants, 32 new research grants were submitted: of those, 14 were funded ($4,815,571), 2 were selected for resubmissions ($2,753,747), 7 were not funded ($3,127,444), and 13 are pending ($13,989,447).
- Multiple publications based on Institute-sponsored research
- Hosted visiting scholars including:
  - Dr. Katherine Conger, University of California, Davis
  - Dr. Carlos Santos, Arizona State University
  - Dr. Jay Mancini, University of Georgia
  - Dr. Hiro Yoshikawa, Harvard University
  - Dr. Lela Williams, Arizona State University
  - Dr. Alice Schlegel, University of Arizona
- Hosted statistical methods training workshop
- Dr. Hiro Yoshikawa, Harvard University, Mixed Qualitative/Quantitative Methods to Study Culture, Context and Child Development
- Appointed John Daws and Violeta Dominguez as Research Scientists
- Appointed Shannon Snapp as Postdoctoral Scholar

**Administration**
- Added Initiative: Early Childhood: Typical & Atypical Development
- Supported four initiatives that are the intellectual core of the Institute
- Finalized policies and procedures for the use of Institute resources
- Managed Lang Family Observation Laboratory (4 studies conducted in lab by FMI affiliated faculty or trainees)
- Promoted Administrative Secretary to Program Coordinator
- Finalized and launched new website
Outreach / Education

- Sponsored the Pamela J. Turbeville Colloquium Speakers Series in FSHD: 6 invited speakers from California, Georgia, and Massachusetts; 2 ASU Faculty Members; 1 UA Faculty Member
- Developed and provided supervision for the *Moving Research into Practice* (MRP) student organization
- Co-Sponsored Events:
  - New Directions Conference
  - European Association for Research on Adolescence (EARA) and Society for Research on Adolescence (SRA) Summer School
  - Primate Studies Field School in Rwanda
  - International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) Mini-Conference
- Published 1 issue of *Research Link*
- Published 1 issue of *Policy Brief*
- Published 3 issues of *Family Link*

Training

- Employed one Graduate Research Associate (who developed *Research Link* series content)
- Employed several undergraduate research assistants for research and administrative activities

Donor development

- Nurtured relationships with multiple Institute stakeholders; began FMI-specific donor development plans as part of Norton School campaign.