

# Gerontology

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## Department Information

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- **Credential Offered:**  
Graduate Certificate

Gerontology is the multidisciplinary study of the aging processes and individuals as they grow from middle age through later life. Some gerontologists work directly with older persons in a wide variety of programs and services in the community. Others work on behalf of older persons in areas such as advocacy and teaching about aging.

Some use the certificate for continuing education credits or a career ladder opportunity. A graduate certificate can also be used to supplement a master's degree in another field.

## Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
HDFS 721	Contemporary Perspectives on Adult Development and Aging	3
HDFS 723	Foundations in Integrative Aging Studies	3
Elective Courses- Select 2		6
HNES 652	Physical Health, Wellness, Nutrition and Active Aging	
ADHM 705	Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Environments for Aging	
HDFS 722	Applied Research Methods and Evaluation of Aging Programs	
HDFS 725	Socioemotional and Cognitive Well-being throughout Adulthood	
HDFS 726	Family Relationships and Aging	
HDFS 760	Aging Policy and Advocacy	
HDFS 761	Implementation of Community Programs for Older Adults	
HDFS 790	Graduate Seminar (*)	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>12</b>