Gerontology Secondary Major Gerontology Minor

Effective: Fall 2025

Recommended Professional Electives for

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Electives 3-6 hours

These are recommended professional electives for the gerontology minor and secondary major. Students will choose either 3 hours (Minor) or 6 hours (Secondary Major). At least 3 elective credit hours must be taken in gerontology. Courses not listed here may be approved on a case-by-case basis by the gerontology advisor and/or program director.

Gerontology

•	GERON 425 Introduction to Physical Health &	
	Well-Being of Older Adults	Credits: 3
•	GERON 430 Introduction to Mental Health & Aging	Credits: 3
•	GERON 516 Introduction to Aging Veterans	Credits: 3
•	GERON 525 Introductory Topics in Gerontology	Credits: 1-3
•	GERON 530 Introduction to Sexuality & Aging	Credits: 3
•	GERON 540 Introduction to Creativity & Aging	Credits: 3
•	GERON 574 Introduction to Environments & Aging	Credits: 3
•	GERON 576 Introduction to Program Design,	
	Implementation, & Evaluation in Gerontology	Credits: 3
•	GERON 577 Introduction to Policy & Advocacy in Gerontology	Credits: 3
•	GERON 578 Introduction to Aging Family Dynamics and Caregiving	Credits: 3
•	GERON 610 Seminar in Long-Term Care Administration	Credits: 3

Conflict Resolution

•	CNRES 530 Coping with Life Crises	Credits: 3
•	CNRES 531 Core Conflict Resolution	Credits: 3
•	CNRES 534 Conflict in Organizations	Credits: 3
•	CNRES 537 Elder and Family Decision Making	Credits: 3
•	CNRES 539 Grief and Loss Across the Lifespan	Credits: 3

Food, Nutrition, Dietetics, and Health

•	FNDH 132 Basic Nutrition	Credits: 3
•	FNDH 252 Personal Wellness	Credits: 3
•	FNDH 400 Human Nutrition	Credits: 3
•	FNDH 510 Life Span Nutrition	Credits: 2
•	FNDH 530 Nutrition Education in Extension	Credits: 1
•	FNDH 720/ MPH 720 - Administration of Health Care Organizations	Credits: 3

History

•	HIST 520 Death and Dying in History	Credits: 3
•	HIST 534 Social History of Medicine	Credits: 3

Human Development and Family Science

HDFS 510 Midlife to Late Adult Development
HDFS 654 Death and the Family
Credits: 2-3

Interior Design

• ID 651 Design for Supportive Environments Credits: 3

Kinesiology

KIN 335 Physiology of Exercise
KIN 381 Exercise and Chronic Disease
KIN 383 Exercise and Older Adults
KIN 419 Health Policy and Administration
KIN 612 Policy, Built Environment and Physical Activity
Credits: 3
Credits: 3

Music, Theater, and Dance

THTRE 664 Creative Drama
THTRE 665 Drama Therapy with Special Populations
THTRE 675 Drama Therapy with Older Adults
Credits: 3
Credits: 1-3

Personal Financial Planning

• PFP 764 Estate Planning for Families Credits: 3

Philosophy

PHILO 365 - Medical Ethics Credits: 3

Psychology

PSYCH 518 Introduction to Health Psychology
PSYCH 520 Life Span Personality Development
PSYCH 715 Psychology of Aging
Credits: 3
Credits: 3

Social Work

SOCWK 320 Dynamics of Working with Older Adults
Credits: 3

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