

GERONTOLOGY (GERO)

GERO 101 INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (3)

Study of human aging from a variety of perspectives including sociological, psychological, and biological. Provides a background in social, political and public policy issues related to the aging of America. Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences.

GERO 330 COMMUNITY PLANNING FOR AN AGING SOCIETY (3)

Multidisciplinary approach to the urban environment as a physical and social context for the diverse lifestyles of its older residents. Theoretical approaches to aging and the environment are examined with emphasis on how planned and built environments impact the quality of life of older persons.

GERO 350 PHYSICAL HEALTH AND AGING (3)

Focus on age-related physical changes and health issues commonly experienced by older adults and their families in context of biological theories of aging, as well as concepts of prevention and wellness; discussion of programming to promote healthy living as older adults. Prerequisite: GERO 101.

GERO 367 DEATH, DYING AND BEREAVEMENT (3)

Examination of present social considerations on death including demographic, attitudinal, and ritualistic variables; death education through the life cycle; structure of the grief process; impact of terminal illness on the patient and the family; ethical issues surrounding euthanasia and suicide. Prerequisite: SOCI 101.

GERO 370 SPECIAL TOPICS (3)

Topics of contemporary interest and emerging issues in gerontology. Prerequisites: GERO 101 and permission of gerontology adviser.

GERO 397 GERONTOLOGY INTERNSHIP (3-9)

Supervised experience in gerontology. May be repeated for a maximum of 9 units with gerontology advisor's permission. Prerequisite: 15 units in gerontology, including GERO 101.

GERO 405 CROSS CULTURAL AGING (3)

Study of human aging from a social science perspective across multiple cultural contexts. Prerequisite: GERO 101, SOCI 101, or permission from instructor.

GERO 450 DIRECTED READINGS IN GERONTOLOGY (3)

Systematic inquiry into a topic of the student's choice in consultation with the faculty. Prerequisite: graduate standing or 25 term units of GERO courses.

GERO 485 GERONTOLOGY SENIOR SEMINAR (3)

Programmatic, ethical and public policy issues of aging. Prerequisite: completion of gerontology core course requirements.