2014 Gerontology Advising and Degree Planning Guide

Admission Guidelines

This program prepares students for a variety of positions within the vast field of gerontology – working with older adults and their families. There is a separate Long-term Care Administration Specialization that prepares students to meet Nursing Home Administration Licensure requirements. Enrollment in the Gerontology program requires maintaining a GPA of 2.50 with a grade of C or better in GERO 1010. All degree program core courses require a grade of C or higher.

Courses that should be completed during the student's first two years

(Credit hours listed in parentheses, prerequisites in italics)

GSW 1120 (3, placement, or completion of GSW 1100 or 1110)

MATH 1150 or STAT 2000 (3)

GERO 1010 (3)

PSYC 1010 (4)

BIOL 2050 (5)

FN 2070 (3)

GERO 3010 (3, fall only)

GERO 3300 (3, GERO 1010, spring only)

PSYC 3100 (3, PSYC 1010, fall only)

or HDFS 1050 (3)

1 BG Perspective Humanities & Arts Elective (3)

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*A required "International Perspective" course must be taken

Additional Requirements

PHIL 2190 (3)

Cognate Area Electives: (20) A minimum of 20 credit hours of supportive coursework chosen in consultation with the GERO faculty advisor

Elective Courses: Choose additional credit hours to meet the 122 total hours required for graduation

Gerontology Course Sequence and Prerequisites

The following courses require admission to the GERO program (prerequisites listed in parentheses)

DHS 3000 (3, MATH 1150 recommended)

DHS 3300 (3)

GERO 3250 (3, GERO 1010, spring only)

GERO 4020 (3, GERO 1010 and BIOL 2050, fall only)

GERO 3300 (3, GERO 1010, spring only) — GERO 4600 (3, GERO 1010 and 3300, spring only)

GERO 4910 (10) and 4930 (1) — Practicum and Practicum Seminar — A minimum of 400 clock-hour internship experience in an agency/organization serving older adults and their families. Internship is completed during the student's final semester. The internship is arranged in consultation with the Director of the Gerontology Program. An overall GPA of at least 2.50 is required.