

2011 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 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)

GSW 1120 (3)
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) spring only
PSYC 3100 or HDFS 1050 (3)
BG Perspective Human. & Arts Elec.* (3)
BG Perspective General Elective * (3)

*One "International Perspective" course is required

Additional Requirements

PHIL 2190 (3)

Cognate Area Electives: (20) 20 hours of supportive courses chosen in consultation with the faculty advisor

Elective Courses* (approx. 31 hours) 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 4020 (3)

GERO 4100 (3) → GERO 4200 (3) (GERO 4100)

GERO 3300 (3) → GERO 4600 (3) (GERO 3300)

GERO 4910 (10) and 4930 (1) – Practicum and Seminar – Internship experience in an agency serving older adults and their families, usually completed during the student's final year of classes, often during the semester of graduation. The internship is arranged in consultation with the Gerontology department. An overall GPA of at least 2.50 is required.