

Certificates

Aging Studies - Certificate

College of Health and Public Affairs

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Other Requirements

- A minimum grade of "C" (2.0) required in each course used to satisfy the certificate
- At least 12 hours used in the certificate must be earned at UCF within the department
- No credit by exam (TSD, Military credit) may be used.
- Independent Study cannot be used toward the certificate

In recognition of the special needs of the older adults in Central Florida, the school offers a 15-credit interdisciplinary program open to all students in any major. This certificate prepares students for careers in applied gerontology, research, public service or for graduate training. Courses focus on the physiological, psychological, sociological, environmental, cultural, legal-ethical and public policy issues affecting older adults. Students majoring in health professions, biomedical sciences, criminal justice and legal studies, hospitality management, psychology, social work, nursing, sociology, business, exercise science, physical education, communication sciences and disorders or education find study of the aging process especially helpful.

Certificates will be awarded only at the time of degree completion.

Certificate Admission Requirements

- None

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- A required internship, along with course options that include service-learning activities, complements the web-based courses.
- Students select one of the internship courses listed below depending on their major. BSW majors must take the 9 credit hour field education course.

Prerequisite Courses

- None

Required Courses (6 hrs)

GEY 3001 Gerontology: An Interdisciplinary Overview 3 hrs

Required Internship: (Select one) 3 hrs

¹ SOW 4510 Field Education 9 hrs

² SOW 4941 Internship 9 hrs

HSA 4941 Internship 3 hrs

PSY 3951 Undergraduate Field Work 3 hrs

SYP 4941 Internship 3 hrs

¹ Full-time social work majors ONLY. Cannot be used with SOW 4941.

² Part-time social work majors over two semesters ONLY. Cannot be used with SOW 4510.

Restricted Electives (9 hrs)

- Students select three additional courses from the following courses: A maximum of two courses must be taken in the College of Health and Public Affairs and at least one course must be taken from other colleges.

College of Health and Public Affairs 6 hrs

HSA 4220 Long Term Patient Management 3 hrs

HSA 3222 Long Term Care and Administration 3 hrs

HSC 4564 Health Care Needs of the Elderly 3 hrs

PLA 4530 Legal Issues of the Elderly 3 hrs

SOW 4645 Social Services for the Elderly 3 hrs

NUR 4286 Gerontologic Nursing 3 hrs

SOW 3740 Social Work Practice with Loss & Life's Transitions 3 hrs

Other Colleges 3 hrs

DEP 3464 Psychology of Aging 3 hrs

SYP 4730 Patterns of Aging in Society 3 hrs

¹ GEY 5007 Women and Healthy Aging 3 hrs

SYP 4732 Minority Aging 3 hrs

¹ Open to undergraduates with senior standing

Foreign Language Requirements

- None

Total Semester Hours Required

- 15