The GRADUATE CERTIFICATE in Gerontology

Rolling Admissions - Applications are reviewed year-round. Students can begin in the fall, spring, or summer. Full-time and part-time options available. To apply go here: https://gradadmissions.charlotte.edu/apply

Why this certificate?
- Supplements the knowledge of those practicing in the field
- An excellent addition for those with or working towards a graduate degree in another field
- A perfect gap-year experience for those taking a break between undergraduate and graduate school
- Pathways are available to one of multiple graduate degree options that complement the certificate and can lead to a Master’s Degree

- Early Entry for qualifying UNC Charlotte undergraduates
- No GRE required
- Online and face-to-face classes
- Can be completed in 12 months
- Interdisciplinary program with faculty expertise in a variety of fields
- Some cross-listed courses can double count for other degree programs at UNC Charlotte

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Gerontology Graduate Certificate Curriculum (12 Credit Hours)

Qualifying UNC Charlotte undergraduates may apply to begin the Gerontology Graduate Certificate while still an undergraduate. 12 credits can double count with undesignated undergraduate electives. More information can be found at https://gradadmissions.charlotte.edu/admissions/early-entry

### Required Course:
GRNT 6600  Current Issues in the Diverse Experiences of Aging

### Elective Tracks (Students must select one course from each track):

#### Social Sciences
- GRNT/SOCY 5150  Older Individual and Society
- GRNT 5270  Intergenerational Relationships and Programs
- GRNT 5353  Environments for Aging
- GRNT/PSYC 6124  Psychology of Aging
- GRNT/SOCY 6130  Sociology of Aging: Theories and Research
- GRNT/SOCY/SOWK 6134  Family Caregiving Across the Lifespan
- SOWK 5101  Social Work Practice with Older Adults and Families
- SOCY 6112  Sociology of Work

#### Health Sciences
- GRNT 5260  Women: Middle Age and Beyond
- GRNT 5280  The Experience of Dementia
- GRNT/NURS 6275  Health Promotion, Nutrition, and Wellness for Older Adults
- GRNT/SOWK 5365  Grief and Loss Across the Lifespan
- KNES 5232  Physiology of Human Aging
- CSLG 6205  Counseling Older Adults - required for M.A. Counseling students
- CSLG 7681  Grief and Loss Counseling

#### Administration
- GRNT 5250  Aging Programs and Services
- GRNT/MPAD 6210  Aging and Public Policy
- GRNT/MPAD 6211  Administration of Aging Programs
- ADMN 6101  The Adult Learner
- HADM 6100  Introduction to U.S. Healthcare System
- MPAD 6128  Foundations of Public Policy
- MPAD 6172  Administration of the Healthcare Systems in the United States
- NURS 6115  Health Policy and Planning in the U.S.

**Track designation depends on particular topic:**
- GRNT 5050/6050  Topics in Gerontology (1 to 4)

### Optional Add-On Experiential Course (does not count towards 12 required hours)
- GRNT 6400  Practicum (150 internship hours in the community)

### Admission Requirements
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university or qualifying Early Entry status
- Official transcripts of all previous collegiate academic work
- An overall grade point average of at least 2.75 (3.2 for Early Entry undergraduates)
- Two letters of recommendation, personal essay, and resume

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