WHAT CAN A MINOR OR GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN GERONTOLOGY ADD TO YOUR PHILOSOPHY DEGREE?

*UNC Charlotte offers an Undergraduate Minor and Graduate Certificate in Gerontology (with an *Early Entry* option)*

**WHAT IS GERONTOLOGY?**

Gerontology is the study of longevity. Students of gerontology study not only physiological changes that occur with aging, but also social roles, normative expectations, attitudes and beliefs, stereotypes, and policy, health and economic issues which define the aging experience.

**HOW DOES GERONTOLOGY COMPLEMENT MY PHILOSOPHY DEGREE?**

The Philosophy Department offers a BA, a Graduate Certificate in Applied Ethics, and an MA in Ethics and Applied Philosophy. The Department offers both an undergraduate and graduate course in healthcare ethics and law. The graduate course includes substantial coverage of normative issues related to palliative care, death and dying, the challenges of aging in the U.S. and elsewhere, healthcare insurance, and caregivers’ roles. The Graduate Certificate and MA degree are excellent credentials for professional gerontologists who wish to infuse ethics into the culture of the institutions.
WHAT UNC CHARLOTTE FACULTY SPECIALIZE IN THIS AREA AND WHAT ARE THEIR RESEARCH INTERESTS?

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WHAT ARE SOME CAREER RESOURCES BEYOND UNC Charlotte?

AARP  
www.aarp.org

Academy for Gerontology in Higher Education Careers in Aging  
www.careersinaging.com/careersinaging/

The Gerontological Society of America Careers in Gerontology  
www.geron.org/StudentOrg/careers.htm

Southern Gerontological Society  
http://www.wfu.edu/gerontology/sgs/

UNC Institute on Aging  
http://www.aging.unc.edu/

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