

Program Drop Proposal

Gerontology, MS

Admission Requirements

Program applicants must have the following:

- Baccalaureate degree.
- 3.0 or B average (students with exceptions should contact the director of the gerontology program).
- Official transcripts of all previous undergraduate/graduate work.
- Three letters of recommendation (from former instructors preferred; from professional associates acceptable).

In addition, students must meet the other general requirements for admission to the Graduate School as explained in the Graduate Study section of the Bulletin.

Degree Requirements

The students are required to complete 36 credit hours, including 30 hours in gerontology and related courses and 6 hours of statistics/research courses. The required core courses and elective options are listed below. Limited course substitutions may be acceptable to meet degree requirements. Substitution decisions are made at the discretion of the Program Director.

Gerontology Distribution Requirements

Core		
GERON/ANTHRO	Sociocultural Aspects of Aging	3
GERON 5376	Psychopathology and Aging	3
GERON 6441	Aging and Health Behavior	3

GERON/SOC WK/P P ADM/POL SCI 6444	Seminar in Public Policy and Aging	3
GERON/SOC WK	Gerontological Assessment	3
Practica in Gerontology		
GERON 6495	Practicum in Gerontology	3
Select one of the following:		3
GERON 6496	Advanced Practicum in Gerontology	
GERON 6500	Practicum in Gerontological	
Research and Statistics		
GERON 5420	Research Methods and Analysis I	3
GERON 5450	Research Methods and Analysis II	3
Electives		9
Select three courses (9 credit hours) offered in Gerontology at the 4000 level or higher. Students should consult with the Program Director for approved courses.		
Total Hours		36

Program Administration Option

Students interested in emphasizing program administration qualifications as part of the MSG may request to apply their 9 elective credits towards earning a Certificate in Nonprofit Management & Leadership offered through Public Policy Administration. Students interested in this option must meet with the Certificate Director and request admission by the end of their second semester in the MSG Program. If admitted, the Director of Gerontology and the Certificate Director will work cooperatively to arrange a joint plan of study to meet objectives of both degrees within the 36 credits required for the MSG. Both practicum courses (GERON 6495 & GERON 6496) must emphasize program administration as part of this plan.

Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

Department	Contact Person	Phone #	Objections
S007250	Rocky Keel	516-6052	No

Rationale