

Gerontology Career Pathway Certificate (43 credits)

Students should take GRN181: Exploring the Field of Aging in their first term in the program. Internship credits (GRN280A) provide a unique opportunity for the students to work directly with older adults in different settings. Certificate candidates who are currently working in the field with older adults and have accumulated work experience hours related to their career path may petition to waive 1, 2 or 3 credits of the required internship credits, with 70 related work hours waiving 1 credit. Students must complete the program with a grade of "C" or better. The 43 credits earned in this Certificate count toward the Gerontology AAS Degree.

Core Courses: (28 credits)

GRN181	Exploring the Field of Aging	2 credits
GRN282	Gerontology Professional Seminar	1 credit
PSY 236	Psychology of Adult Development and Aging	4 credits
SOC 223	Sociology of Aging	4 credits
SOC 230	Introduction to Gerontology	4 credits
SOC 231	Sociology of Health and Aging	4 credits
SOC 232	Death and Dying: Culture and Issues	4 credits
GRN280B	Gerontology Internship Seminar	1 credit
GRN280A	CE: Gerontology Internship	4 credits

Basic Competencies

WR 121*	English Composition	4 credits
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***Or passing a writing course for which WR 121 is a prerequisite**

Choose one course from the following Restricted Electives*:

CAS 133	Basic Computer Skills/MS Office	4 credits
CAS 140	Access	3 credits
CAS 170	Excel	3 credits
CAS 216	Beginning Word: WIN	3 credits
CAS 217	Advanced Word: WIN	3 credits
CAS 231	Publisher	3 credits

***This requirement can be met through proof of comparable, work-based computer skills training.**

RESTRICTED ELECTIVES: At least 8 credits from GRN AAS Degree list of elective courses

Note: It is recommended that students take HE101 – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (1 credit) or acquire CPR training from a licensed public or private organization.

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