Gerontology Graduate Certificate
UNC Charlotte
12 credit hours: Full or Part-time options

Rolling Admissions – applications are reviewed year-round. Students can begin in the fall, summer, and spring semesters. To apply go here: https://mygradschool.uncc.edu/default.asp

Why this certificate?

• Supplements the knowledge of those practicing in the field.
• Excellent complement for those with or working towards a graduate degree in another field.
• Perfect gap-year experience for those taking a break between undergraduate and graduate school.
• We can help you select a possible pathway to one of multiple graduate degree options that complement the certificate and can lead to a Master’s Degree.

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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. More information can be found at https://gradadmissions.uncc.edu/admissions/early-entry

Required Course:
GRNT 6600  Current Issues in Gerontology

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 6134  Family Caregiving Across the Lifespan: Theory, Practice, and Policy
GRNT/SOCY 5366  Minorities and Aging (Pending curriculum approval)

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
CNSL 7681  Grief and Loss Counseling
KNES 5232  Physiology of Human Aging
CNSL 6205  Counseling Older Adults - M.A. Counseling students must take this
(Students may need to petition this course to count. Permanent curriculum changes for this course are pending)

Administration
GRNT 5250  Aging Programs and Services
GRNT/MPAD 6210  Aging and Public Policy
GRNT/MPAD 6211  Administration of Aging Programs
EIST 6101  Learning Principles in Learning, Design, and Technology
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)
• Three letters of recommendation
• A personal essay

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