General Studies Social Gerontology Specialization

Transfer Programs
Degree:
Associate of Arts and Sciences with a major in General Studies and a specialization in Social Gerontology
Length:
Four-semester (two-year) program
Purpose:

Students will complete courses from a variety of disciplines. Emphasis in core courses is placed on the development of skill sets that are required to effectively interact with human service professionals, clients and older adults. Graduates should qualify for employment in nursing and retirement facilities, specialized adult care services, respite services and other programs servicing older adults and their families. Graduates choosing to continue their education may select a variety of programs at senior institutions.

Occupational Objectives:

Human Services Workers that specialize in Gerontology work with older adults and their families. They understand issues of aging, including the physical, psychological and social aspects of the aging process, as well as health, wellness, nutrition, diet, exercise and well-being. Graduates tend to work under the direction of workers from a variety of fields, such as nursing, psychiatry, psychology, rehabilitative or social work.

In addition to the admission requirements established for the college, entry into the General Studies, Social Gerontology Specialization program requires competency in English and Math Essentials MTE 1-5 as demonstrated through the placement and diagnostic tests, or by satisfactorily completing the required MTE units or equivalent.

The following list is a suggested sequence in which students may plan their class schedules to ensure graduation in two years.

Course Sequence:

Course Number	Course Title	Lect. Hrs.	Lab Hrs.	Course Cr.
First Semester				
ENG 111	College Composition I	3	0	3
HMS 100	Intro to Human Services	3	0	3
SDV 100	College Success Skills	1	0	1
Elective[1]	Humanities	3	0	3
Elective[2]	Lab Science	3	3	4

Elective[3]	Social Science/History	3	0	3
Suggested Credits & Hours for Semester		16	3	17
Second Semester				
ENG 112	College Composition II	3	0	3
HMS 226	Helping Across Cultures	3	0	3
MTH 157	Elementary Statistics	3	0	3
Elective2	Lab Science	3	3	4
Elective[3]	Social Science/History	3	0	3
Suggested Credits & Hours for Semester		15	3	16
Third Semester				
CST 110	Intro to Communications	3	0	3
HMS 231	Gerontology I	3	0	3
ITE 115	Introduction to Computer Applicationsi & Concepts	3	0	3
Elective[3]	Social Science	3	0	3
Elective[3]	Social Science	3	0	3
Suggested Credits & Hours for Semester		15	0	15
Fourth Semester				
HLT/PED[5]	HLT 110 or 160	1	0	1
HMS 232	Gerontology II	3	0	3
HMS 238	Selected Topics in Aging	3	0	3
Elective[1]	Humanities	3	0	3
Elective[3]	Social Science	3	0	3
Suggested Credits & Hours for Semester		13	0	13
Total Minimum Credits Required for this Curriculum				**61**

[1]Courses may be chosen from the Transfer Humanities Electives.
[2]Courses may be chosen from the Science General Electives.
[3]Courses may be chosen from the Social Science General Electives.
[4]Students may substitute MTH 152. Check with your advisor.
[5]Students may choose a health, physical education, or recreation course that promotes physical & emotional well-being.