

Human Services-Aging Studies C.C.

Career Community: Education and Human Services

Curriculum Code: 1806

Effective: Fall 2022 - Summer 2027

Discontinued Fall 2023; Last Award Summer 2024

Description

The Aging Studies curriculum focuses on knowledge of physical, mental, and social aspects of aging. Students are introduced to the aging process, social institutions and policies, programs and services, and providing direct services to older persons and their families. This is the first certificate in an enhanced human services career pathway. Core principles from the Association from Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE) serve as a guideline for the course work. A 2.5 grade or higher is required in all GERO and HUSE courses. General education courses require a 2.0 grade or higher.

Students continuing their education for the Human Services Certificate of Achievement or Associate Degree are required to meet with the Human Services Program Director prior to or during their first semester to obtain practicum information and application requirements for fall semester. Before practicum placement at the next level a criminal background check is required, and a DHHS Central Registry check for placements with children and families or agencies providing services to children and families.

Milestone

Completion of GERO 100 with a 2.5 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in this course is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in this course.

Contact Information

Contact the Human Services Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building - StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Program of Study Required Courses

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit/Billing Hours |
|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| GERO 100 | Introduction to Human Aging | 4/4 |
| HUSE 105 | Personal Dynamics/ Interviewing | 4/4 |
| PSYC 200 | Introduction to Psychology | 4/4 |

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice - Gerontology - Select at least two courses, one credit total required.

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit/Billing Hours |
|-------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| GERO 164 | Med & Alcohol Use/Older Adults | .5 / 0* |
| GERO 169 | Legal Rights of Older Adults | .5 / 0* |
| GERO 191 | Special Topics in Gerontology | .25-1 / 0* |

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice - Psychology – Select one as

approved by Human Services Program Director.

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit/Billing Hours |
|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| PSYC 209 | Cognitive Psychology | 3/3 |
| PSYC 210 | Brain and Behavior 3/3 | |
| PSYC 250 | Abnormal Psychology | 3/3 |

Minimum Total Credit Hours

16 credits / 15 billing hours + flat fees*

*GERO seminars are a flat fee and do not have billing hours. Contact the Program Coordinator of the Mental Health and Aging Project at 517-483-1526 or 517-483-1529 for fee information.

Recommended Course Sequence

| SemesterI | |
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| GERO 100 – Milestone course | |
| PSYC 200 | |
| Limited Choice - Gerontology | |

| SemesterII | |
|------------------------------|--|
| HUSE 105 | |
| Limited Choice – Gerontology | |
| Limited Choice - Psychology | |

LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree title changes, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice.