Requirements for Master of Arts in Gerontology

36 semester hours total - all courses are 3 semester hours

Prerequisite required of students without previous coursework in statistics.

- SOCI 3010 Social Statistics or another approved statistics course

1. Core courses (15 semester hours)

   o Required courses (6 hours):
     - GERO 8000 Seminar in Gerontology * (only offered in Fall Semesters)
     - GERO 8100 Research Methods in Gerontology

   o Choose 3 courses (9 hours):
     - GERO 7110 Aging Policy and Services
     - GERO 7200 Health and the Older Adult
     - GERO 8116 Sociology of Aging
     - GERO 8124 Diversity and Aging
     - GERO 8320 Psychology of Aging

2. Concentration requirements (9 hours). Select one of the following areas.

   o Administration Concentration:
     - GERO 8200 Aging Program Administration
     - GERO 8910 Gerontology Internship
     - GERO 8910 Capstone Seminar

   o Research Concentration:
     - Approved Advanced Methods (Such as GERO 8110; GERO 8150; PH 7521; PT 8500)
     - GERO 8999 Thesis Research (6 hours)
     - A thesis approved by the student’s thesis committee and the Director of the Gerontology Institute

3. Four elective courses (12 hours)

   - GERO 6475 Communication and Aging
   - GERO 7110 Aging Policy Services (if not taken in the core)
   - GERO 7200 Health and the Older Adult (if not taken in the core)
   - GERO 7260 Aging Practice, Policy, and Research (if not required)
   - GERO 8102 Life Course Sociology
   - GERO 8115 Qualitative Gerontology
   - GERO 8116 Sociology of Aging (if not taken in the core)
   - GERO 8119 Global Aging and Social Policies
   - GERO 8122 Death, Dying, and Loss
- GERO 8124  Diversity and Aging (if not taken in the core)
- GERO 8130  Intimate Ties in Later Life
- GERO 8200  Aging Program Administration (if not required in concentration)
- GERO 8320  Psychology of Aging (if not taken in the core)
- GERO 8330  Mental Health and Aging
- GERO 8340  Dementia
- GERO 8700  Special Topics in Gerontology
- GERO 8800  Directed Reading in Gerontology (requires special permission)
- GERO 8910  Gerontology Internship (if not required in concentration)
- NUTR 7105  Geriatric Nutrition