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Dear Colleague -

Do your research and teaching interest overlap with issues of gerontology, aging, adult development, or programs and services for older adults? Do you know of a colleague with interests in these areas? Have you discussed the benefits of an affiliate member of the Gerontology Institute at Georgia State University?

The Gerontology Institute includes a core faculty of experts who work in the interdisciplinary field of gerontology and a diverse group of affiliate faculty who research aging issues within their own disciplines. We offer a Masters Degree, Graduate Certificate, Undergraduate Certificate and an interdisciplinary minor in Gerontology. Although the Institute is situated in the College of Arts and Sciences, our affiliates can be from any department or college at GSU. The many faculty members, who currently serve as affiliates, participate in interdisciplinary research teams, teach classes cross-listed with Gerontology, mentor our Masters-level students, and share in the governance of the Institute. In addition, when resources are available, affiliate faculty members are offered GRA support and funds to support travel to gerontology conferences. If you or colleagues are interested in pursuing the opportunity to serve as an affiliate faculty member for the Gerontology Institute, then you need to provide the Director of the Gerontology Institute with the following:

- 1) A brief memo stating your research and/or teaching interests in the area of Gerontology, Aging Studies, Human Development, or Programs and Service for Older Adults
- 2) A current copy of your Curriculum Vita
- 3) A list of any courses that you teach or are interested in teaching that have an aging focus

Once the materials are set to me, I will review them in consultation with the Institute Executive Committee. The term of appointment shall be for three years, after which time the faculty member can apply for reappointment.

If you have any questions about the Gerontology Institute or being an affiliate, please let me know. I would be glad to come and speak with you about our program and opportunities for collaboration.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Elisabeth O. Burgess", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

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