STRONG FACULTY
Our faculty are highly qualified and committed to student success.

ACCREDITATION
Our programs are in line with the most recent competencies and standards published by the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

CURRICULUM
- M.S. Applied Gerontology (36 hrs.)
- Post-B.A. Gerontology Certificate (15 hrs.)
- Gerontology undergraduate minor

OPPORTUNITIES
Hands-on service learning, community engagement, group interaction, distance education, information that will help you personally as well as professionally

WHAT DO GERONTOLOGISTS DO?
Gerontologists work to improve the well-being of older adults, as advocates, direct service providers, educators/trainers, administrators, marketers and product developers, program planners, evaluators, researchers and more.

Our vision: The UNCW Gerontology Program will be recognized as a leader of collaborative education, research, and community engagement promoting the health and well-being of older adults and their families, age-friendly communities, and a better understanding of aging across all ages, in southeastern North Carolina and beyond.

Our mission: Enhance the health and well-being of older adults in our community, through innovation and excellence in workforce development, research, professional service, and community engagement.
GERONTOLOGY

GERONTOLOGY CORE CURRICULUM (GRADUATE)

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EMPLOYMENT

With the rapid aging of our population, the “Longevity Economy” already provides 100 million jobs in the U.S.* and is a fast growing field. Among the states, North Carolina has one of the largest populations aged 65 and over, and the numbers will increase by 72 percent between 2013 to 2033, from 1.4 to 2.4 million.” The need for employees with gerontology knowledge is critical in a wide range of areas.

Where can you work with a gerontology degree?

Graduates with gerontology expertise can work with a variety of public and private organizations or create new job opportunities in this fast growing field. Employment opportunities include, but are not limited to:

- Government agencies
- Senior housing communities
- Healthcare settings
- Recreation/fitness centers
- Non-profit agencies
- Colleges/universities
- Financial planning offices
- Businesses/product development

PROGRAM OF STUDY

The graduate certificate is comprised of the five core courses. It can stand alone or be taken along with a graduate degree to complement any discipline, including business, exercise science, policy, recreation therapy, social work and more. Students pursuing the master’s degree take the five core courses, as well as a research methods course and 12 hours of “selectives” aligned with their professional goals. The program culminates with a master’s project.

Visit and “like” the UNCW Gerontology Program page on Facebook for the latest in local to global aging-related news. www.facebook.com/UNCWGerontology

UNCW is an EEO/AA institution. Questions regarding UNCW’s Title IX compliance should be directed to TitleIX@UNCW.edu.


For more information about this field, the career options, professional opportunities, and the UNCW program, visit uncw.edu/gerontology.html

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