

All Programs:

- Students will develop a gerontological perspective through knowledge and self-reflection
- Students will engage collaboratively with others to promote integrated approaches to aging
- Students will learn to promote life-long learning opportunities across the life span to enhance personal development social inclusion and quality of life

Masters of Science in Gerontology (MSG)

- Students will utilize gerontological frameworks to examine human development and aging.
- Students will relate biological theory and science to understanding senescence, longevity and variation in aging.
- Students will relate psychological theories and science to understand adaptation, stability, and change in aging.
- Students will relate social theories and science of aging to understanding heterogeneity, inequality, and context of aging.
- Students will learn to distinguish factors related to aging outcomes, both intrinsic and contextual, through critical thinking and empirical research
- Students will promote older persons' strengths and adaptations to maximize well-being, health, and mental status
- Students will promote quality of life and positive social environment for older persons
- Students will learn to employ and design programmatic and community development with and on behalf of the aging population
- Students will learn to employ and generate policy to equitably address the needs of older persons
- Students will engage in research to advance knowledge and improve interventions for older persons