

Human Services

A.A. Degree (Transfer)

An Option of Arts & Sciences

<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>
English	
EN 101 English Composition	3
Mathematics	
Mathematics Elective (GenEd course list) (MA 206 recommended)	3/4
Social & Behavioral Sciences	
PS 101 General Psychology	3
SO 101 Introduction to Sociology	3
ED/PS 208 Human Growth & Development	3
HS 103 Introduction to Social Work and the Human Services	4
‡ HS 102 Human Relations	3
‡ SO 102 Social Problems	3
Arts & Humanities	
‡ Arts Elective (GenEd course list)	3
‡ Humanities Elective (GenEd course list)	3
CMSP 103 Speech Fundamentals or	
‡ CMSP 105 Group Discussion	3
Biological & Physical Sciences	
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (Lab course) (GenEd course list)*	4
Biological & Physical Sciences Elective (GenEd course list)*	3/4
Interdisciplinary & Emerging Issues	
Wellness Elective (GenEd course list)	3
ID 214 Introduction to Gerontology: Issues of Aging and Mature Adulthood ..	3
Gerontology Requirements	
PS 205 Psychology of Aging	3
ID 224 Physical Aspects of Aging	3
HS 208 Human Service Work with Older Adults or	
HS 203 Introduction to Counseling & Interviewing	3
PS 207 Death and Dying	3
INTR 102 Internship	2
HS 204 Ethics & Practice Issues in Human Services	1
	62/64

Gerontology

Certificate (Career) *

Requirements	
ID 214 Introduction to Gerontology: Issues of Aging and Mature Adulthood	3
PS 101 General Psychology	3
HS 103 Introduction to Social Work and the Human Services	4
ID 224 Physical Aspects of Aging	3
PS 205 Psychology of Aging	3
HS 208 Human Service Work with Older Adults or	
HS 203 Introduction to Counseling and Interviewing or	
HS 102 Human Relations	3
PS 207 Death and Dying	3
INTR 102 Internship	2
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Letter Of Recognition (Career)

Requirements	
ID 214 Introduction to Gerontology: Issues of Aging and Mature Adulthood	3
ID 224 Physical Aspects of Aging	3
PS 205 Psychology of Aging	3
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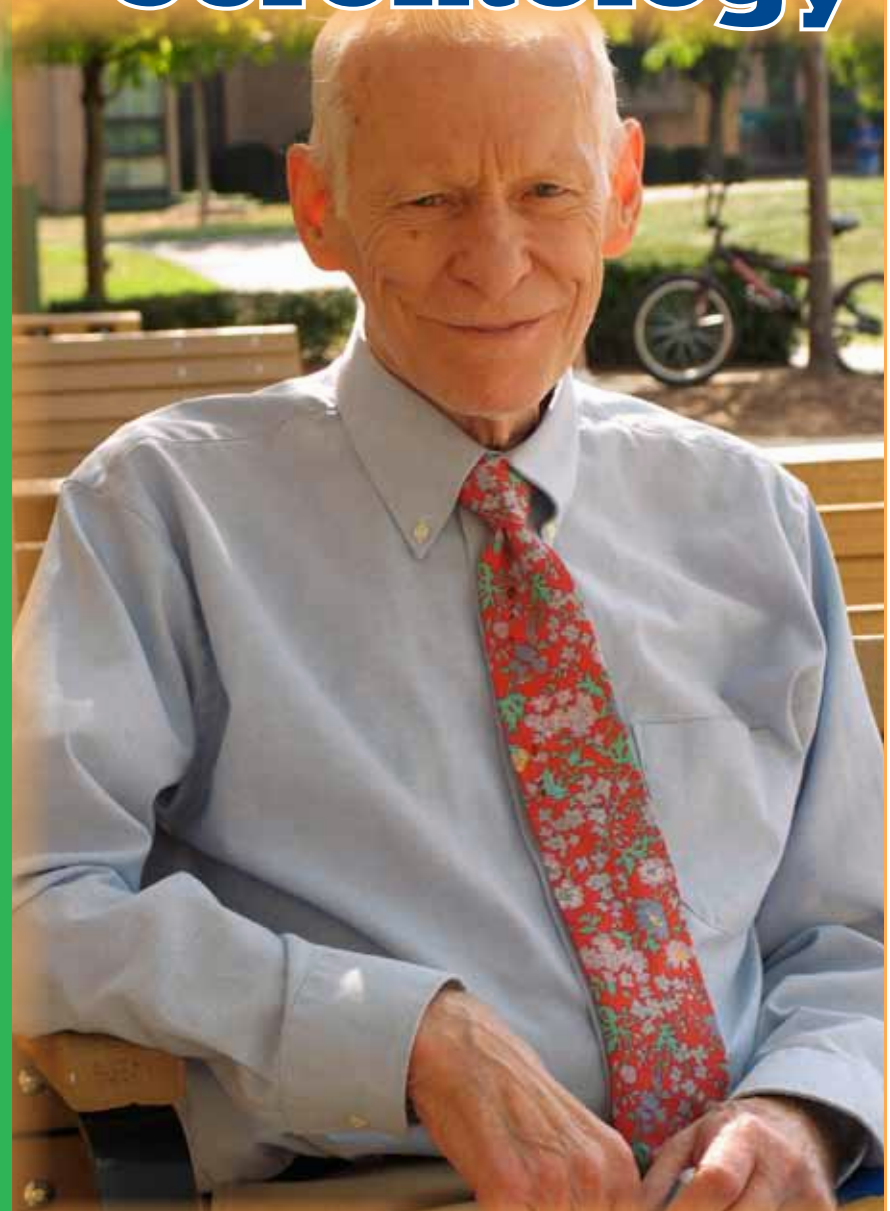
Courses in bold satisfy general education requirements.

‡ These courses fulfill the cultural competence graduation requirement.



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Gerontology



Demographics have demanded the explosion of careers in the field of gerontology. Modern medicine keeps us alive longer, but gerontology addresses the needs and desires of older adults to promote healthy aging and a positive quality of life in the later years.

As the region's premier institution for workforce development and career preparation, Frederick Community College offers specific training opportunities for people who are interested in expanding their knowledge of aging and lifespan development.

Program

Opportunities in gerontology studies at FCC are available in four configurations:

1 • Associate of Arts Degree in Human Services – an option through the Arts and Sciences program that prepares students to transfer to a four-year college for further study. This degree requires a minimum of 62 credits and introduces the student to social and rehabilitation services and human development concepts designed to deal with the problems of specific populations, including older adults. *After completing the first year of academic work, the student may elect to pursue the 15-hour gerontology track of specific courses related to understanding and working with older adults. See the back cover of this brochure for courses available.*

2 • Gerontology Certificate * – a 24-credit option for students with or without an undergraduate degree. The certificate prepares students for new careers in the gerontology field, or augments previous training or credentials to facilitate advancement in one's current career by adding professional education.

3 • Gerontology Letter of Recognition – a 9-credit introduction to the core material in the field of gerontology.

4 • Continuing Education Noncredit Certificate – requires 90 hours of in-class instruction and introduces students to aging studies for personal interests or for professional development.

Program Objectives

- To acquaint students with the field of lifespan development and aging studies with an emphasis on the later years,
- To share knowledge and understanding that may be applied to a variety of workplace settings or to further education in the field of gerontology,
- To introduce career opportunities that incorporate gerontology studies,
- To provide continuing education and professional development for people who work with older adults.

Growth Potential and Job Opportunities

Frederick has been identified as a community attractive to older adults and, therefore, a place that will provide increasing opportunities for careers that address the lifestyles of active older adults. Within the larger community, gerontology studies are helpful to any service industry whose customers include older adults, for example, education, recreation, retirement and financial planning, real estate, health and mental health care fields, and assisted living.

Today's older adults want to be as active as possible for as long as possible. As the number of older adults in our community increases, so, too, will the demand for expertise in gerontology.

Financial Assistance

FCC's tuition and fees are about half the cost of those at four-year public colleges in Maryland. Payment plans are available for students who wish to segment their tuition payments. Scholarships and loans are also available for eligible students.

Noncredit courses vary by semester but include classes such as

- A New Look at Aging: Myths and Realities
- Spirituality and Aging
- Dementia and Mental Health Education

Noncredit classes subject to change.

Faculty

All FCC faculty are credentialed at the master's or doctorate level. All are experts in their field who take a personal interest in preparing students to meet the challenges of serving older adults. Expect small classes, extensive hands-on instruction and flexible class schedules.

For information on credit gerontology programs, contact:
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301.624.2757 or email
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For information on non-credit programs, contact:
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Register for classes online at
www.frederick.edu or call 301.846.2431.

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Frederick Community College makes every effort to accommodate individuals with disabilities. If you have accommodation needs, please call 301.846.2408. To request a sign language interpreter, please call 301.846.2476 (Voice) or 240.575.2366/866.616.7243 (Videophone). Requests for any accommodation should be made at least five working days prior to attending a scheduled event.

* Gainful employment (Gerontology Certificate)

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at www.frederick.edu/gainfulemployment.