

The Master of Science degree in Gerontology requires completion of 36 semester hours (15 credit hours in core courses, a 3-credit independent learning component, 12 credit hours in electives, and a 6-credit hour Thesis or Capstone Project). *Note that the internship must be chosen to fulfill the independent learning requirement if the student does not have experience working with an older population. However, students with significant documented and verifiable experience working with an older population can request that this experience be reviewed and credit earned for life experience.* Contact the Academic Director for more information. Visit [Gerontology Course Calendar](#) for schedule of course offerings.

Core Courses (15 credit hrs)	Independent Learning (3 credit hrs)	Elective Courses (total 12 credit hrs)	Culminating Experience (6 credit hrs)
Choose ALL	Choose ONE	Choose FOUR	Choose ONE Combination
GRN 501 (3 credits) Interdisciplinary Approaches to Gerontology	GRN 552 (3 credits) Internship in Gerontology	GRN 502 (3 credits) Understanding & Combating Ageism	GRN 570: Proposal Writing in Gerontology (3 credits) and GRN 590: Master's Thesis in Gerontology (3 credits)
GRN 506 (3 credits) Biology of Aging	GRN 560 (3 credits) Applications in Gerontology	GRN 505 (3 credits) Public Policy & Aging	GRN 570: Proposal Writing in Gerontology (3 credits) and GRN 590: Master's Capstone in Gerontology (3 credits)
GRN 517 (3 credits) Psychology of Aging		GRN 507 (3 credits) Psychosocial Aspects of Aging	
GRN 527 (3 credits) Aging in a Diverse Society		GRN 508 (3 credits) Nutrition & Aging	
(3 credits) Statistics and Research Design in Gerontology or approved equivalent		GRN 509 (3 credits) Sexuality and Aging	
		GRN 510 (3 credits) Geriatric Pharmacology	
		GRN 512 (3 credits) Ethics & Aging	
		GRN 516 (3 credits) Dementia & Older Adults	
		GRN 522 (3 credits) Spirituality & Aging	
		GRN 566 (3 credits) Special Topics in Aging	