

THE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY

The Certificate in Applied Social Gerontology is designed for students who have already completed a baccalaureate degree and desire specialized education in Gerontology.

The Certificate is available to students through Open University or through graduate admissions as a matriculated student. The Gerontology Program requires you to complete an informational form and meet with an advisor regarding specific Certificate requirements. Please arrange an appointment to do this (see below).

Students who enroll through Open University (OU) do not have to complete a formal university application. However, note that OU units cost substantially more than matriculated student fees. Information about OU may be found online at <http://ies.sjsu.edu/ou/>. OU students register by attending the first class meeting and presenting a registration form which can be found online (<http://ies.sjsu.edu/ou/>).

For students who wish to be matriculated students, you must register online through the Interdisciplinary Studies Program. Applications are made online at <http://www.csumentor.edu>. For item 10a, write "MS Interdisciplinary Studies" (code 49993), and indicate "Gerontology" in the space below (option/emphasis). In 10b write "Certificate." To be admitted to the Certificate Program, you must have earned at least a 2.5 GPA in the last 60 units completed. To remain in good standing, you must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA in all coursework. For questions about applications, please call SJSU Graduate Studies and Research (408) 924-2480.

Certificate requirements and electives are shown below. At least 18 units are required to complete the Certificate. If you have completed Gerontology courses elsewhere, you may be able to receive credit for up to 9 units. If you do not have a baccalaureate degree, you are not eligible for the Certificate and should apply to the university as an undergraduate (Health Science Degree with Gerontology Concentration, Gerontology Minor, or Special Major).

Most required courses are offered every other semester (except Gero 107, Aging and Society) and may alternate between day and evening times since it is expected that many students will be employed. However, students will need to be on campus during the day for registration, advisement, etc. Some electives are offered only during the day.

Please call or write for questions or further information:

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