

Graduate Certificate in Contemporary Gerontological Practice

1. Do you...

- Want a better understanding of the unique needs and strengths of older adults?
- Have a desire to increase your knowledge about funding opportunities to support innovative programs for older adults?
- Aspire to enhance your current credentials or develop expertise in gerontological practice?
- Have an active life and find it difficult to take traditional, on-campus graduate courses?
- If you answered YES to any of these questions, the Graduate Certificate in Contemporary Gerontological Practice at The University of Toledo may be for you!

2. What is the Gerontological Certificate Program?

- The Graduate Certificate in Contemporary Gerontological Practice is designed to provide knowledge about contemporary issues in gerontology and geriatrics as well as prepare individuals for working with older adults and their families in the current healthcare system. The Certificate Program is sponsored and housed in the Center for Successful Aging at The University of Toledo Health Science Campus.

3. What is unique about the Certificate Program?

- A unique feature of the Certificate Program is the delivery system. Recognizing that individuals continually balance personal and professional responsibilities, the Certificate courses are accessible “24/7” through distance education methods. Delivered mainly online, five courses are offered with students attending classes on campus approximately three to four times per semester for orientation, monitoring, and evaluation purposes with program completion taking 12 to 18 months.
- Disciplines represented in the current class include: occupational therapy, nursing, medicine, physical therapy, physician assistant studies, marketing, psychology, and social work.

4. What are the admission requirements and application deadlines for the program?

- To be considered for admittance into the program, a candidate must:
 - Hold a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum 3.0 undergraduate grade point average (Official transcripts are required);
 - Submit two letters of recommendation; and
 - Submit a completed online application form and the accompanying application fee.
- Students who are **currently enrolled** in a graduate program at The University of Toledo must:
 - Submit a letter of request for admission to the Program Coordinator (see below);
 - Submit a completed online application form (accompanying application fee is waived);
 - Submit two letters of recommendation; and
 - Be in good standing in his or her current degree program.
- Students are admitted for Fall or Spring semester. Application deadlines are:
 - July 1 for Fall admission; and
 - November 15 for Spring admission.

5. Who should be contacted for more information about the Certificate Program?

- Program Coordinator: Barbara Kopp Miller, PhD; barbara.koppmiller@utoledo.edu or (419) 383-4289
- Website: hsc.utoledo.edu/depts/csa/gradcertificate.html