

# Interprofessional Healthy Aging (Graduate Certificate)

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Transform your passion into expertise and make a meaningful impact in the lives of older adults. Enroll in our aging-focused certificate program and be a catalyst for positive change. Join us on the journey to foster healthy aging, and be a positive force in transforming the lives of older adults and their families.

## Program description

### **Degree awarded: Certificate Interprofessional Healthy Aging (certificate)**

This certificate program prepares professionals to address healthy aging with a focus on prevention and early intervention to optimize the health, behavioral health and quality of life of older adults and their family caregivers. The program provides students with interdisciplinary knowledge that focuses on improving the well-being of diverse older persons, in the context of their families and communities.

The curriculum is based on the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education's Competencies for Graduate Education and addresses the multidimensional aging process, the needs of aging populations, and their potential contributions; reflects national health initiatives; and encourages interprofessional and community collaborations that are reciprocal, beneficial and sustainable to improve health outcomes.

Those who complete the program can apply for recognition as a gerontological coordinator by the National Association for Professional Gerontologists, an independent international professional organization.

## At a glance

- **College/School:** [Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix](#) or [Online](#)

# Degree requirements

15 credit hours

## Required Core (3 credit hours)

HCA 501 Perspectives on Aging and the Life Course (3)

## Restricted Electives (12 credit hours)

HCA 502 Research and Program Evaluation Issues in Aging (3)

HCA 503 Diversity in Aging (3)

HCA 504 Caregiving Issues for Families and Professionals (3)

HCA 505 Interdisciplinary and Community Collaboration in Aging (3)

HCA 507 Care Coordination across the Continuum of Care (3)

HCA 508 Mental Health Assessment and Intervention (3)

HCA 510 Innovations in Program Development and Policy (3)

NUR 628 Research, Theory and Principles for Palliative Care in the Older Adult (3)

SWG 571 Mental Health Aspects of Aging (3)

SWG 573 Policies to Promote Healthy Aging (3)

SWG 623 Program Evaluation (3)

SWG 632 Policy Practice (3)

## Additional Curriculum Information

Other courses may be substituted for restricted electives if approved by the academic unit.

# Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree from a nationally recognized, regionally accredited academic institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program or a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. proof of English proficiency

## **Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide [proof of English proficiency](#) regardless of their current residency.

International students who need an F-1 or J-1 visa need to apply to and be accepted into a graduate degree program prior to being considered for the certificate program. International students residing in the U.S. on other types of visas must adhere to all Graduate College policies and procedures regarding admission to be considered for admission to this certificate program.

## **Tuition information**

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

## **Attend online**

### **ASU Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may [view the program's ASU Online page](#) for program descriptions and to request more information.

## **Career opportunities**

Graduates are prepared for employment in these occupations:

- gerontological coordinator
- life enrichment coordinator
- life enrichment director
- program manager
- research coordinator

## **Contact information**

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