

Bachelor of Science

The Bachelor of Science degree is designed to prepare students for management positions in the field of gerontology. A faculty adviser works closely with each student to develop an individualized, career-oriented course of study.

Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Science must meet the following requirements.

- 1. Hours for the Degree:** Completion of a minimum of 128 semester hours; 42 hours must be advanced.
- 2. General University Requirements:** See “General Degree Requirements” in the Academics section of this catalog.
- 3. University Core Curriculum:** Minimum 47 semester hours. See specific degree plan for exact hours.
- 4. Major/Minor Requirements (Professional Development Areas):** Minimum of 42 hours in at least three areas, one of which must be applied gerontology; minimum of 12 hours in each area.
- 5. Occupational Specialization:** 24-36 semester hours in related fields. Certain requirements of the UNT Core Curriculum may be included in the Occupational Specialization.
- 6. Electives:** Sufficient electives may be selected, with the approval of the academic adviser, to fulfill the 128-hour requirement for the degree.
- 7. Other Course Requirements:** Minimum of 12 hours of laboratory science in at least two different fields.

Major in Applied Gerontology

*Following is **one** suggested four-year plan. Students are encouraged to see their adviser each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment.*

BS with a Major in Applied Gerontology

FRESHMAN YEAR

FALL	HOURS
ENGL 1310, College Writing I	3
HIST 2610, United States History to 1865	3
PSCI 1040, American Government	3
CSCI ⁷	3
Laboratory Science ¹¹	<u>4</u>
Total	16

FRESHMAN YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
ENGL 1320, College Writing II	3
HIST 2620, United States History Since 1865 ¹²	3
PSCI 1050, American Government	3
Oral Communication ^{8,30}	3
Laboratory Science ¹¹	<u>4</u>
Total	16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

FALL	HOURS
ECON 1110, Principles of Macroeconomics ³⁰	3
ENGL 2210, World Literature I	3
Laboratory Science ¹¹	4
Occupational Specialization	3
Professional Development Area II ³¹	<u>3</u>
Total	16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
ENGL 2220, World Literature II	3
MATH 1100, College Algebra ¹⁰	3
Occupational Specialization	3
Occupational Specialization	3
Visual and Performing Arts ^{13,30}	3
Wellness ¹⁶	<u>2-3</u>
Total	17-18

JUNIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
AGER 3480, Psychology of Adult Development and Aging ²⁶	3
AGER 4060, Leisure and Aging ²⁵	3
Professional Development Area II ²⁸	3
Professional Development Area II ²⁸	3
Professional Development Area III ²⁸	3
Understanding of Ideas and Values ^{3,30}	<u>3</u>
Total	18

JUNIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
AGER 4020, Psychology of Death and Dying ¹⁸	3
AGER 4550, Sociology of Aging ¹⁸	3
Occupational Specialization or Elective	3
Professional Development Area II ²⁸	3
Professional Development Area III ²⁸	3
Understanding of Ideas and Values ^{3,30}	<u>3</u>
Total	18

SENIOR YEAR

FALL	HOURS
AGER 4780, Aging Programs and Services	3
Occupational Specialization or Elective	3
Occupational Specialization or Elective	3
Occupational Specialization or Elective	3
Professional Development Area III ²⁸	<u>3</u>
Total	15

SENIOR YEAR

SPRING	HOURS
AGER 4840, Studies in Aging Field Practicum	3
AGER 4850, Studies in Aging Field Practicum	3
Elective	3
Professional Development Area III ²⁸	<u>3</u>
Total	12

Actual degree plans may vary depending on availability of courses in a given semester.

Some courses may require prerequisites not listed in the above plan.

See Community Service folding key (#3) for footnotes.

Summary of Degree Requirements:

Major/Minor (Professional Development Areas; includes courses in applied gerontology):	42
Occupational Specialization:	24-36
Core:	
English	12
United States History	6
Political Science	6
Wellness	2
Economics	3
Mathematics	3
Laboratory Science	6-8
Visual and Performing Arts	3
Understanding of Ideas and Values	6
Computer Competence:	3
Oral Communication:	3
Additional Laboratory Science:	4-6
Free Electives:	6-18

Note:

42 hours must be advanced; 24 of the 42 must be taken at UNT.
24 of the last 30 hours must be completed at UNT.

Supplemental Information for BS with a Major in Applied Gerontology

Suggested Second and Third Professional Development Areas

Each Professional Development Area consists of a minimum of 12 semester hours. Suggested Professional Development Areas to complement the applied gerontology major include (but are not limited to) behavior analysis, business administration, communication studies, health promotion, merchandising and hospitality management, psychology, public administration, recreation, rehabilitation, social work, sociology, and speech and hearing sciences. Transfer students with sufficient semester hours of course work in other fields related to applied gerontology (e.g., mental health, nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy) may use these fields as Professional Development Areas. Specific courses for the Professional Development Areas are chosen with the approval of the academic adviser.

Practicum

AGER 4840-4850, Studies in Aging Field Practicum, should be taken at or near the end of the student's degree program. Students must complete AGER 3480, 4550 and 4780 before enrolling for AGER 4840-4850.

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