

MA in Aging Studies - Social Science

Admission

1. Admission to the Graduate School at Wichita State University;
2. A grade point average of 2.750 (4.000 system); and
3. International applicants must have a score higher than 79 on the Internet-based TOEFL examination, an overall minimum band score of 6.5 on the IELTS examination, or a score of 58 on the PTE-Academic examination.

Additional supporting documents:

1. Contact information for two professional references;
2. A one-page personal statement reflective of their desire for admittance to the aging studies program; and
3. Documentation of computer literacy including word processing, email, file attachments and Internet searches within the personal statement. Students are highly encouraged to review the information found on the Wichita State Office of Online Learning website, paying particular attention to the Introduction to Online Learning, and Computer Skills and Preparation information.

To be reviewed for admission, applicants should submit the designated application for admission, supporting transcripts and additional supporting documents to the Graduate School via the online CollegeNet Application Portal.

The priority application deadlines are: July 15 for fall admission; December 1 for spring admission; April 15 for summer admission.

Applications are reviewed when the application and supporting documents are received by the program director. Applicants will be notified of their admission status by the Graduate School. Upon enrollment, he or she will be assessed a \$50 nonrefundable acceptance fee. For additional details, please see the program website (<http://wichita.edu/agingstudies>).

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
AGE 717	Health Communications and Aging	3
AGE 765	The Medicare System	3
AGE 798	Interprofessional Perspectives on Aging	3
AGE 818	Advanced Biological Perspectives of Aging	3
HP 800	Research Methods for Evidence-Based Practice	2
HP 801	Interprofessional Evidence-Based Practice	1
Social Science Concentration		
AGE 813	Advanced Sociological Perspectives of Aging	3
AGE 814	Advanced Psychological Perspectives of Aging	3
AGE 804	Social Policy and Aging	3
Elective	Select one 500 or higher level elective	3
AGE Culminating Experience		
Select one of the following culminating experiences:		3
Thesis:		
AGE 895	Thesis Research (3 credit hours)	

Internship:

AGE 810 or AGE 660	Aging Studies Practicum Administrator-in-Training Long-Term Care Practicum
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Coursework:

Any 3-credit-hour graduate-level course in AGE or PHS could count as an elective with advisor approval. Outside graduate level courses in SCWK may also be considered. Consult a graduate advisor for approval.

Total Credit Hours 30

Students are expected to meet with their faculty advisor and create their plan of study following the completion of 12 graduate credit hours, as discussed in the Graduate School section of the Graduate Catalog.

Applied Learning

Students in the Master of Arts in aging studies programs are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from these programs. The requirement can be met by completing the following course requirements: AGE 717.