Gerontology A.S.

Gerontology is the study of aging and older adults. With an understanding of gerontology, you will be able to work in a variety of settings interacting directly with older adults or in positions where you will be able to assist communities and policy makers to address the needs of this population indirectly through program development and public policy initiatives.

The Gerontology program at BMCC is co-coordinated by the Health Education Department and the Department of Social Sciences, Human Services and Criminal Justice. Students enrolled learn an interdisciplinary approach that addresses the social, psychological, biological and health-related changes of aging. Mandatory field work further equips students with the skills necessary to respond appropriately to the needs of this elderly population.

**Certifications and Professional Development**

- Microsoft Office Professional
- Social Media for Business
- Professional Writing

*These and other [Certifications and Professional Development](http://www_bmcc_cuny_ce) options offered by the Center for Continuing Education and Workforce Development. [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/ce)*

**Professional Organizations**

- Gerontological Society of America
- American Geriatrics Society
- National Council on Aging

**Helpful Career Links**

- BMCC Career Center: [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/career](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/career)
- Internships and Experiential Learning: [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/experiential](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/experiential)
- Gerontology: [www.bmcc.cuny.edu/academics/programs/gerontology](http://www.bmcc.cuny.edu/academics/programs/gerontology)

**Articulation Agreements**

- **CUNY York College**
  - B.S. in Gerontology
- **St. John’s University**
  - B.S. in Health and Human Services: Human Services Concentration
- **New York City College of Technology / CUNY**
  - B.S. in Human Services

**Other Transfer Options**

- York College / CUNY
- Ithaca College
- SUNY College at Oneonta
- Niagara University
- Hunter College / CUNY
- Lehman College / CUNY

**Career and Salary Possibilities**

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