

GERONTOLOGY

University of Northern Iowa College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
<https://csbs.uni.edu/family-aging-counseling/majors/gerontology-major>

About The Major

Gerontology is the study of aging. This major focuses on individuals as they grow through the later years of life along with the physical, mental, and social changes they experience. Gerontologists help to improve the well-being of individuals and their families through research, education, and knowledge of the aging population.

Sample Course Work

Medical Terminology
Social Gerontology
Families, Alzheimer's and Related Dementias
Psychology of Aging
Long Term Administration

Possible Careers *Some titles may require further education

Social Worker	Activities Director	Activities Director
Registered Nurse	Case Management	Respite Care
Grief Counselor	Occupational Therapist	Non-Profit Work
Health Education	Hospital/Nursing Home Aide	Hospice Director

UNI Graduates: Where Are They Now?

- Western Home Communities
- University of Northern Iowa
- Northeast Iowa Area Agency on Aging
- ABCM Corporation
- NewAldaya Lifescapes
- Care Initiatives
- Meth-Wick Community
- Amerigroup
- Friendship Village Retirement Community
- Prairie Vista Village
- Accura HealthCare
- Robin Wellness Center
- Windstar Lines, Inc.
- Sigourney Health Care and Assisted Living
- Cedar Valley Community Support
- KPMG US
- Allen College
- The Shores at Pleasant Hill
- American Enterprise

Skills Needed

- Interpersonal Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Decision Making
- Management
- Problem-solving
- Written and Oral Communication
- Program Management
- Group Facilitation
- Creativity
- Cultural/Diversity Sensitivity
- Supervising