

# APPLIED AGING AND LIFE COURSES (ALCS)

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**ALCS 1503 Aging and Society 3 s.h.**

An interdisciplinary introduction to studies in aging. Examines the impact of population aging and its effect on society at large. Also examines individual aging processes, normal aging vs. diseases associated with aging, and social significance of aging. 3 hour lecture.

**Gen Ed:** Social and Behavioral Science.

**ALCS 3757 Aging and Social Policy 3 s.h.**

Critical examination of social policies and social systems which affect aging and retirement.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 or POL 1560 or SOC 1500.

**Cross-Listed:** POL 3757 and SOC 3757.

**ALCS 3758 Long-Term Care 3 s.h.**

Examines critical issues in long-term care systems, services, and programs. Impacts of social demographic and economic changes on long-term care needs, demands, and supplies. Contemporary trends and future outlooks of long-term care.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 with a grade of C or better.

**ALCS 3760 Death and Dying 3 s.h.**

Introduction of the topics of death and dying and the process of, with the following objectives: to sensitize the student to the subject of death and dying, to aid the student in adjusting to the death of a significant other, to help individuals examine their own feelings and reactions to the death and grieving, to make students aware of the different cultural groups' death and bereavement, and to examine hospice and palliative care benefits.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 with a grade of C or better.

**ALCS 3761 Elder Crimes - Elder Justice 3 s.h.**

Issues in gerontology and aging that affect law enforcement and the criminal justice system. Three hour lecture.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 with a grade of C or better.

**Cross-Listed:** CJFS 3761.

**ALCS 3775 Dementia 3 s.h.**

The understanding of the nature, causes, symptoms, and social consequences of dementia. Attention to the status of aging, caregiving, and to the status of those who suffer from dementia in contemporary society. Three hour lecture.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 with a grade of C or better.

**ALCS 3790 Aging in Cross-Cultural Perspective 3 s.h.**

Examines the phenomenon of aging from cross-cultural perspectives with an emphasis on cultural evolution and its impact upon the status, roles and cultural values associated with aging and the aged. Three hour lecture.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 or ANTH 1500 both with a grade of C or better.

**Cross-Listed:** ANTH 3790.

**ALCS 4801 Later Life Issues 3 s.h.**

The course is designed as an advanced course in the issues of later life and long term care services and supports. Three hour lecture.

**Prereq.:** ALCS 1503 with a grade of C or better.

**ALCS 6905 Social Gerontology 3 s.h.**

Integration and application of gerontological theories; major conceptual issues regarding life span development; and contemporary gerontological concepts and research. Three hour lecture.

**ALCS 6906 Perspectives in Gerontology 3 s.h.**

Focus on the major theoretical perspectives of aging and aging related research with a focus on health. Theories from gerontology, epidemiology, sociology, and psychology will be covered. Three hour seminar.