ADULT DEVELOPMENT AND AGING SERVICES, CERTIFICATE

Requirements for an undergraduate certificate may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the certificate.

Program Description
This certificate program is designed as a flexible opportunity for gaining knowledge and professional development for people interested in working with older adults in a variety of community settings. The program has been designed in concert with the Penn State Gerontology Center. The courses are divided into a Professional Core (12 credits) and Professional Electives (3 credits).

Program Requirements
To earn an undergraduate certificate in Adult Development and Aging Services, a minimum of 15 credits is required.

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Prerequisites Required.

Academic Advising
The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (http://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy)

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