

3 YEAR TRACK (GS) 10-544-1 GERONTOLOGY - AGING SERVICES PROFESSIONAL 61-544-2 DEMENTIA CARE CERTIFICATE

61-544-1 GERONTOLOGY FOR PROFESSIONALS

2025-26 REQUIRED COURSES

NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE

ASHLAND*, NEW RICHMOND*, RICE LAKE*, SUPERIOR*, ONLINE

OUTREACH CENTERS: BALSAM LAKE*, HAYWARD*, LADYSMITH*

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Name/ID

Date

CATALOG NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	*HOURS PER WEEK	CREDITS	DEMENTIA CARE CERTIFICATE	GERONTOLOGY FOR PROFESSIONALS CERTIFICATE	GERONTOLOGY - AGING SERVICES PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATE DEGREE (Financial Aid Eligible)	DATE COMPLETED	TRANSFER OR GRADE
	FIRST TERM - FALL 2025							
	16 Weeks							
10801136	English Composition 1	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	1st 8 Weeks							
10544105	Alzheimer's and Dementia (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits	Dementia Care	Gerontology for Professionals	Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	2nd 8 Weeks							
10544100	Communication of Aging (online)	6 hours per week	3 credits	Dementia Care	Gerontology for Professionals	Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - First Term			6 Credits Dementia Care	6 Credits Gerontology for Professionals	9 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	SECOND TERM - SPRING 2026							
	16 Weeks							
10809198	Introduction to Psychology	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	1st 8 Weeks							
10544111	Legal and Financial Issues of Aging (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits	Dementia Care		Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	2nd 8 Weeks							
10544107	Death and Dying (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits	Dementia Care		Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - Second Term			6 Credits Dementia Care		9 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		



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	THIRD TERM - FALL 2026						
	16 Weeks						
10809159	Abnormal Psychology Prerequisite: 10809198 Introduction to Psychology	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional	
	1st 8 Weeks						
10544104	Physical Aspects of Aging (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional	
	2nd 8 Weeks						
10544106	Healthy Aging (online)	6 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional	
	Total Credits - Third Term					9 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional	



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	FOURTH TERM - SPRING 2027							
	16 Weeks							
10806198 OR 10806177	Human Biology OR General Anatomy and Physiology NOTE: Successful completion of a chemistry course within in the last five years is highly recommended.	5 hours per week	4 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	1st 8 Weeks							
10544101	Social Gerontology (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits		Gerontology for Professionals	Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	2nd 8 Weeks							
10544110	Programs of Aging Services (online)	6 hours per week	3 credits		Gerontology for Professionals	Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - Fourth Term				6 Credits Gerontology for Professionals	10 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	FIFTH TERM - FALL 2027							
	16 Weeks							
10801198 OR 10801196	Speech OR Oral/Interpersonal Communication	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	1st 8 Weeks							
10520103	Ethics in Human Services # (online; also offered Spring Term)	>	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	2nd 8 Weeks							
10544102	Psychological Aspects of Aging (Your Choice)	6 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - Fifth Term					9 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		



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	SIXTH TERM - SPRING 2028							
	16 Weeks							
10XXXXXX	Elective Course (May be taken at any time) Recommended elective courses: 10809195 Economics, 10520101 Introduction to Human Services, 101961XX course, or 10520111 Psychopharmacology	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	2nd 8 Weeks							
10520112	Family Systems (online; also offered Fall Term, 2nd 8 weeks)	>	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
10544108	Developing the Gerontology Professional # (Your Choice-also offered spring) Prerequisite: Successful completion of 15 credits of 105201XX or 105441XX coursework	6 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - Sixth Term					9 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	SEVENTH TERM - FALL 2028							
	16 Weeks							
10544112	Gerontology Fieldwork # ^ (Your Choice; also offered fall) PREREQUISITE: 10520103 Ethics in Human Services and 10544108 Developing the Gerontology Professional and COREQUISITES: Successful completion or co- enrollment in all other core program courses.	9.4 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
10809172 OR 10809196	Introduction to Diversity Studies OR Introduction to Sociology	3 hours per week	3 credits			Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	Total Credits - Seventh Term					6 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		
	TOTAL CREDITS			12 Credits Dementia Care	12 Credits Gerontology for Professionals	61 Credits Gerontology - Aging Services Professional		



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* Hours per week represents periods of instruction and/or work-based learning hours per week (class hours). Additional time may be required outside of class to complete assignments. For more details on what you can expect outside of class, please see the "Expectations Outside of the Classroom" section of the Student Handbook

> Due to the course to clock hour conversion, this course meets the 45-clock hour requirement over the term (Scheduled 48 sessions at 50 minutes for 16 weeks; adjusted for 8 weeks)

Select the required course document based on the academic year you begin enrollment in your program.

105XX1XX course offerings are listed by the term they will be offered. Course availability is dependent on demand and enrollment in additional terms may be required to complete graduation requirements.

Please be advised that low-enrollment class sections may be canceled. You will be contacted by Student Services with information on other class sections available in alternate formats.

Credit for Prior Learning not applicable for these courses

^ All students must earn a minimum of 135 hours of fieldwork hours. These hours are completed during 10544112 Gerontology Fieldwork.

NORTHWOOD TECH GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE OPTIONS FOR NORTHWOOD TECH ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Co-enrollment in 99831900 Writing Essentials may be recommended in addition to English Composition 1.

Specific General Education courses are scheduled as requirements for this program. If you have completed General Education coursework at another Wisconsin technical college, please refer to the Acceptable Transfer Course document at the following link (find your program) to see if your previous coursework will transfer

Acceptable Transfer Courses

If you have completed General Education coursework at Northwood Tech in a prior term, the same options will apply for your program requirements. Pending Dean approval, technical diploma coursework (i.e. catalog number beginning with 30, 31, or 32) may also be allowed to meet General Education requirements. NOTE: Technical diploma level coursework may not transfer to a baccalaureate program.[^]

ELECTIVE COURSES: To meet the elective course requirements for this program, you will be required to take associate degree level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10 (with the level coursework, i.e., catalog numbers beginning with a 10, and 10858104). Pending program dean approval, technical diploma level coursework, i.e. catalog number beginning with 30, 31, or 32, may also be allowed to meet elective course requirements for this program. NOTE: Technical diploma level coursework may not transfer to a baccalaureate program.[^]

*Certificate courses are scheduled on an ongoing basis.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS: Although your academic advisor can provide guidance, you are ultimately responsible for selecting courses that meet a certificate's completion requirements.

This certificate requires a GPA of 2.0 in a 4.0 grade system to complete. A grade point of 2.0 or better is needed in all required 10544XXX courses.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Although your academic advisor can provide guidance, you are ultimately responsible for selecting courses that meet a program's graduation requirements. If you do not take courses in the recommended sequence above, it may delay your completion of graduation requirements. A program plan GPA of 2.0 in a 4.0 grade system is required to graduate. You must earn a grade point of 2.0 or better in all 105XXXXX courses.

EARN CREDIT FOR WHAT YOU ALREADY KNOW:

Visit Credit for Prior Learning for more information

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^If considering transferring into a baccalaureate program, please work with the Transfer Coordinator at the college you are interested in transferring to verify status, including if technical diploma level coursework will transfer and if it will transfer, how the credits will be brought in to your future degree.

All prerequisite/corequisite courses must be completed with a grade point of 2.0 or better. Revised 6.3.25