

UMSL | Graduate School

Master of Science (MS) Gerontology

Degree Program

A minimum of 36 credit hours is required, including 30 hours in gerontology courses, and six credit hours in statistics and research methods. Students may receive their Graduate Certificate in Gerontology upon completion of the first 18 hours of the MS program.

Program Website

<http://www.umsl.edu/gerontology/>

Application Requirements

1. Application
 - a. <http://umsl.edu/go/Apply-Now>
2. Three Letters of Recommendation
 - a. Letters that address academic potential must be provided by individuals who can accurately assess it such as previous instructors, professors, etc.
3. Official transcripts from all universities attended
 - a. Applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree before beginning the master's program.
4. Statement of Purpose
 - a. A 1-2 page typewritten document which discusses your interest in the field of gerontology, any past professional or academic experience in this field, and how you view the MS in Gerontology as contributing to your professional growth and career plans.
5. Entrance examinations
 - a. The Graduate Record Examination General Test is not required.
 - b. International students are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.
6. Grade Point Average
 - a. Minimum of 3.0 on 4.0 scale.
 - b. Students whose overall GPA is 2.75 to 2.99 may be admitted under some circumstances.

Application Deadlines (for domestic applicants)

Fall admission: July 1

Spring admission: December 1

Summer admission: May 1

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, those not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

Application Fee

\$50 for domestic applicants; \$40 for international applicants

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