

Lawyers Who Specialize in Estate Planning & Elder Law

> Community Service Advocate

Health Care Advocate

Advocacy

College Professor

Workshop In-service
Trainer Coordinator

Education and Training

Aging

**Studies** 

Medical & Mental Health Care Practitioners
Who Specialize in Aging - Physician\*Nurse
Physical Therapist\*Occupational Therapist
Speech Therapist\*Recreation Therapist
Counselor\*Social Worker\* Psychologist

Geriatric Care Manager

Intake Coordinator

> Financial Planner

> > Marketing

Specialist

Direct
Service
Provision

Insurance, Medicare & Medicaid Representative

Long-Term

Research

Housing Policy Analyst

Health Care Policy Analyst

> Primary Researcher

Transportation

**Policy Analyst** 

Program
Planning and
Evaluation

Home Delivered Meals

Coordinator

Religious Services Coordinator Program Coordinator Marketing and Product Development

Community Planner Entrepreneur

Product Architect Who
Research & Specializes in
Development Accessible
Technician Housing

Transportation Coordinator Management and Administration

Senior Director of Housing Area Manager Agency on Aging Care or

Senior

Center

Director

Listed are careers one may pursue with a minor or degree in Aging Studies. Jobs may require additional training, education, or certification. For job descriptions and salary information visit:

For job descriptions and salary information visit: http://www.alliedhealthworld.com/gerontology.html

www.explorehealthcareers.org

http://www.bls.gov/ooh/home.htm

## **Points of Distinction for Aging Studies Program**

- 1. Students have the option to take selected courses, a minor or major.
  - a. The major is a good stepping stone to a graduate degree such as Health Care Administration or Masters of Business Administration.
  - b. The minor is popular among students who wish to work in health care (Therapeutic Recreation, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Nursing majors) since older adults are the primary consumers of health care resources.
  - c. The minor is relevant to students who are interested in business and marketing since older adults possess 67% of wealth in the US and, by 2040, 1 of 5 consumers will be age 65 or older.
- 2. Classes are small and students receive individualized attention.
- 3. Classes are taught buy accomplished faculty who are experts in their field
- 4. Numerous opportunities exist for students to work closely with seniors in the Mohawk Valley region through community outreach at the Oneida County Area Agency on Aging, many local senior centers and the Refugee Center.

## **Student Learning Outcomes: Skills Acquired**

- 1. In general, the ability to:
  - a. Promote older adults' health and independence
  - b. Promote older adults' quality of life
  - c. Engage older adults in commerce
- 2. Specific skills may vary according to the classes taken. Common themes include the ability to:
  - a. Maintain and improve physical, intellectual and emotional health
  - b. Promote social interaction within the family, among friends and among community members
  - c. Access health and social services
  - d. Access built and natural environments
  - e. Transition between work and retirement
  - f. Identify economic resources, challenges, and behavior