

Geriatric Certificate Program (GCP)

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What is the Geriatric Certificate Program?

The Geriatric Certificate Program is a curriculum taught by experts that is open to all disciplines.

Participants enroll and take courses (ex. Montessori Methods for Dementia Care, Geriatric Assessment Training, etc.).

This leads to a geriatric certificate that is endorsed by the Division of Geriatric Medicine, McMaster University.

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Why should you take it?

This Geriatric curriculum will build on the education you have already acquired by adding new and innovative skills and knowledge to your educational portfolio.

Who should take it?

People in the field of aging should consider this program, including, but not limited to, RNs, RPNs, PSWs, DSWs, PT's, OTs, MDs, Social Workers, Recreation Therapists and students.

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Tell me more:

Access to experts in geriatrics who will provide training re:

- Geriatric Giants,
- Screening and Assessment tools,
- Practical instruction on how to respond to challenging behaviours and
- Frameworks to follow to ensure comprehensive assessments and treatment planning

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Need for Geriatric Certificate Program?

Dr. Samir Sinha, Provincial Lead, Ontario's Senior Strategy reports:

Schools in Ontario don't formally teach content related to caring for older adults

Key recommendation:

Core training programs in Ontario should include relevant content and clinical training opportunities in geriatrics

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On line registration is now *open*

Questions?

- For more information, please visit our website www.geriatriccp.ca

Registration Fee:

Regulated Professionals: \$350.00

Unregulated Professionals: \$200.00

Geriatric Certificate Curriculum Partners

- **McMaster University**
- **Division of Geriatric Medicine, McMaster University**
- **St. Peter's/McMaster University Chair in Aging**
- **Dementiability Enterprises Inc**
- **Advanced Gerontological Education Inc.**
- **P.I.E.C.E.S**
- **U-FIRST**
- **Regional Geriatric Program central**
- **Juravinski Research Centre**
- **Hamilton Health Sciences**
- **Care of the Elderly, Department of Family Medicine**

Geriatric Certificate Curriculum

Core Courses:

- **P.I.E.C.E.S**
- **U-First!**
- **Gentle Persuasive Approaches (GPA)**
- **Geriatric Assessment and Training Program**
- **Montessori Methods for Dementia**
- **Validation Communication Techniques**

Electives:

- **Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP)**
- **Update in Geriatrics**
- **Cognitive Assessment Tools for Older Adults**
- **Care of the Elderly (Primary Care)**

Please Note:

This is a sample of some of the courses. Please visit the website for the full list of courses