

**DOCTORAL PORTFOLIO PROGRAM IN GERONTOLOGY  
Application**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UT EID: \_\_\_\_\_

Local phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Local address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Program: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Year entered doctoral program: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you filed for candidacy?:                      Yes                      No

**Courses proposed to fulfill portfolio requirements: (see page 2 for courses & requirements).**

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Semester/Year</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Professor</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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**Titles and dates of gerontology-related colloquia attended:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

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Approved by Gerontology Adviser (signature) Date

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Approved by Graduate Adviser (signature) Date

**Attach a 1-page essay describing the importance of the gerontology portfolio to your doctoral program and career goals.**

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### Requirements

1. Completion of four (12 semester hours) courses in the list of approved graduate level gerontology courses with an overall GPA of 3.0 or better in the course.
2. The four courses must be taken from at least three of the four topical areas listed.
3. Of the four courses, no more than one course may be taken as an independent study, except in unusual circumstances. Taking more than one independent study course requires permission if the gerontology adviser.
4. Students interested in developing a portfolio in gerontology must complete an application form which will be reviewed by the gerontology adviser. The application must also include the signature of the student's graduate adviser. An integral part of the application process is the submission of a one-page essay describing the importance of the work in gerontology to the student's doctoral program and career goals.
5. Students who are accepted for the portfolio program will be assigned a faculty member who will assist in selecting appropriate coursework in gerontology and will monitor the student's progress through the portfolio program.
6. Students can enter the portfolio program at any point in their doctoral work.
7. Students in the portfolio program must attend four gerontology-related colloquia during the course of their doctoral program.
8. A written scholarly report must be presented to the gerontology adviser, and be approved by the gerontology faculty before the program is complete.
9. Students accepted into the gerontology portfolio program must keep the gerontology office updated each semester on their progress through approved courses.
10. Students should meet each semester with their assigned faculty in gerontology to update the faculty regarding their progress on their scholarly report.

To submit a completed application (application form and 1-page essay), mail to:

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