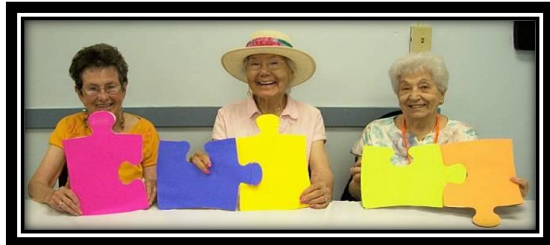


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Geriatric Recreational Therapy (GRT) Certificate

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Why get this Post-Baccalaureate Certificate?

Older adults are the fastest growing segment of the US population, and people are living longer than ever before. Most recreational therapists will encounter older adults in their practice, yet very few health professionals receive any formal education or training in gerontology or geriatrics.

Program Description

This 15 credit hours program is 100% online and will fulfill the requirement for geriatric specialization recently established by the National Council of Therapeutic Recreation Credentialing (NCTRC).

Target Audience

Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialists (CTRS) nationwide and other allied health professionals with an interest in geriatric specialization and nonpharmacological approaches.

Educational Objectives

Students will be able to:

- 1) demonstrate competence in roles and responsibilities of geriatric recreation therapy,
- 2) create protocols and evaluation methods for specific geriatric health problems within the scope of recreational therapy practice,
- 3) apply gerontological knowledge and evidence-based practice in a variety of geriatric recreational therapy settings (i.e.

nursing home, assisted living, hospital, day program),

- 4) evaluate the health care, quality of care, and quality of life issues influencing older adults and their families.

Program Requirements

Three advanced practice geriatric recreation therapy courses and two gerontology courses (or) an advanced field experience are required for the Geriatric Recreational Therapy Certificate from UNCG (15 credits):

- 1) RPM 630: Geriatric Recreational Therapy Practice: roles and responsibilities;
- 2) RPM 631: Geriatric Assessment for Therapists,
- 3) RPM 632: Evidence based practice in Geriatric Recreation Therapy,
- 4) GRO 621: Health and Aging; and either
- 5) GRO 631: Seminar: Critical Issues of Aging, **or**
- 6) RPM 600: Advanced Field Work (3-6 hours).

Admission Requirements

- **Current CTRS**
- **Resume**
- **Professional statement**
- **Interview with program director**

Admission information

Please apply through the UNC Greensboro Graduate School. Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS) status or permission of program director is required for admission. In addition to the application materials required by The Graduate School, applicants must submit a current resume and a professional statement including goals. Interviews are encouraged for all applicants.

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