

GER688 Applied Research Project in Gerontology

Level: 6

Credit Units: 10 Credit Units

Language: ENGLISH

Presentation Pattern: EVERY JULY

Synopsis:

GER688 Applied Research Project in Gerontology offers each student the opportunity to develop a project in his/her area of interest. The student will be required to do a literature search, define the topic and write a proposal. As part of the process, he/she would be encouraged to talk to organisation leaders in the eldercare industry to identify some issues on the ground. The project is expected to be of sufficient depth and should reflect the student's ability to apply knowledge and skills, acquired in the programme prior to embarking in this project, to the real world. The findings and implications of the project would be relevant to industry partners. The report length is 10,000 words excluding references. Students are allowed two semesters to complete and submit the final project report.

Topics:

- Plan an applied project that addresses industry issues/problems
- Ethics and ethical practices
- Review and critique literature related to applied project topic
- Examine research designs in gerontological studies
- Rigorous planning of project processes
- Construct a project proposal
- Implementation of project design and data collection
- Analyse findings of project data
- Organise and write the final report
- Implications of applied project
- Presentation of project findings
- Sharing of project findings to relevant agencies

Learning Outcome:

- Draft, plan and execute an applied research project
- Examine the ethical issues and challenges underlying an applied research project
- Construct a well-organised research project proposal
- Critique the literature related to a selected research problem
- Design a methodologically sound project
- Analyse and interpret findings, and prepare a comprehensive report with sound recommendations

Assessment Strategies - Regular Semester (Evening Class):

Components	Description	Weightage Allocation (%)
Overall Continuous Assessment	PROJECT PROPOSAL 1	20
Overall Examinable Components	FINAL REPORT	70

FINAL PRESENTATION	10
Total	100

*The information listed is subject to review and change.