

**Sample Course of Study for Full-Time Two-Year Program (Without Advanced Standing) –  
 COSA: COSA-Gerontology Certificate & COSA-Community Organizing and Practice Certificate**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Subject/Course</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Fall	SWGEN 2034	Generalist Social Work Practice with Diverse Populations	3
Fall	SWBEH 2063	Human Behavior and the Social Environment	3
Fall	SWWEL 2081	Social Welfare	3
Fall	SWGEN 2098	Generalist Social Work Practice	3
Fall	SWGEN 2099	Generalist Fieldwork	<u>3</u>
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Spring	SWRES 2021	Generalist Social Work Research	3
Spring	SWCOSA 2088	Community Organizing and Planning	3
Spring	SWBEH 2077/ SWWEL 2039	Human Behavior: Adult Development & Aging <sup>1</sup> <b>OR</b> 2nd-level Social Welfare: Social Policy & Gerontology <sup>2</sup>	3
Spring	SWBEH 2008	2nd-level Human Behavior: Urban Environment	3
Spring	SWGEN 2099	Generalist Fieldwork	<u>3</u>
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Fall	SWCOSA 2084	Human Service Organization Management	3
Fall	SWRES 2047/ Elective	2nd-level Research: Community Based Participatory Research <b>OR</b> Elective ( <a href="#">see Note</a> )	3
Fall	SWCOSA 2090	Working w/ Grp & Intergrp Relations (Req. SWCOSA elective) ( <a href="#">see Note</a> )	3
Fall	SWINT 2099	COSA Specialization Fieldwork	<u>6</u>
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Spring	SWBEH 2077/ SWWEL 2039	Human Behavior: Adult Development & Aging <sup>1</sup> <b>OR</b> 2nd-level Social Welfare: Social Policy & Gerontology <sup>2</sup>	3
Spring	SWCOSA 2096	Community Planning & Development (Req. SWCOSA elective) ( <a href="#">see Note</a> )	3
Spring	SWRES/Elective	2nd-level Research (2033, 2045, 2051) <b>OR</b> Elective ( <a href="#">see Note</a> )	3
Spring	SWINT 2099	COSA Specialization Fieldwork	<u>6</u>
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<sup>1</sup> Serves as an Elective course

<sup>2</sup> Fulfills the 2nd-level Social Welfare requirement in lieu of SWWEL 2087

**NOTE:**

**Other COSA-Gerontology Certificate Requirements**

Students must complete two gerontology-related electives:

- One of the two gerontology-related electives **must** be a COSA skill elective course (SWCOSA) where the student completes a project or assignment with a gerontology focus.
- The other gerontology-related elective can be:
  - Another COSA skill elective (SWCOSA) in which the student completes a project or assignment with a gerontology focus;
  - A gerontology elective course offered as part of the [University Certificate in Gerontology](#), a certificate administered by the University Center for Social & Urban Research (UCSUR). Offerings may vary and include courses from various schools/departments in the University. Students selecting this option would use these three credits to fulfill an elective requirement for the MSW. [Please see the website for current options UCSUR \(@PittCSUR\) - Graduate Certificate in Gerontology](#).
  - A course relevant to practice in aging that is not part of the UCSUR-administered gerontology certificate may be taken if approved by the Certificate Chairperson in advance.

For the two gerontology-related electives, [students will submit to the Gerontology Certificate Chairperson a form with information about the assignment and topic](#).