

# Gerontology News



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The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) remains committed to cultivating the next generation of scholars, practitioners, and leaders in the gerontology discipline. At a time when science is being questioned, promising research initiatives are facing funding disruptions, and the relevancy of pathway programs is being challenged, our community is reminded of the critical importance of resilience.

This resilience, both individual and collective, aligns with the theme of the 2026 Annual Scientific Meeting, "Reinforcing Resilience in Aging Science, Research, and Education," which calls on us to reaffirm our dedication to advancing rigorous aging scholarship despite uncertain external pressures. We must, however, recognize that resilience

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## GSA Welcomes Kunkel as Visiting Scholar

Suzanne Kunkel, PhD, FGSA, FAGHE, has joined GSA as part of its [Visiting Scholar and Executive Program](#). This opportunity is open to members able to make a full- or part-time commitment to conduct work on GSA projects related to their area of expertise

In this role, Kunkel will contribute to GSA's work on gerontological education issues and related aging policy topics. She previously served as GSA treasurer and president



of GSA's Academy (then Association) for Gerontology in Higher Education. She brings extensive experience in planning for the healthcare needs for the older population, and the role of the aging network in health outcomes for older adults and for communities.

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## Join a GSA Interest Group

Did you know GSA [has more than 60 interest groups](#) covering a range of topics? Each has its own GSA Connect Community to share information and resources.

## Stay Connected



# From the CEO

## New Advocacy Tools: It's Not Business as Usual at GSA in 2026



By James Appleby, BSPharm, MPH  
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Happy New Year! The gerontological ecosystem saw a lot of curveballs come its way in 2025, and we can fully expect the unexpected again this year. But you can count on GSA as your closest ally and champion in the face of unprecedented attacks on science, higher education, and expertise, and transformational changes in how the National Institutes of Health (NIH) awards grant funding.

As I shared during the November Annual Scientific Meeting, the time has come for an era of scientist-citizens – scholars, researchers, clinicians, educators, and professionals committed to proactive personal and public engagement that improves understanding of science and increases support for policies that support all of us as we age. These are roles that GSA members are ideally prepared to take on.

At the individual level, I know all in the membership have personally experienced shifts in funding or worked on projects with people who have. A December article in The New York Times titled "[The U.S. Is Funding Fewer Grants in Every Area of Science and Medicine](#)" pulls the curtain back on the larger picture. Many universities have cut back the number of graduate students they will accept – a frightening prospect for the future of science.

Indirect funding of NIH grants is also on the minds of many. GSA is closely monitoring the activities of the Joint Associate Group (JAG), which published an alternative to the anticipated NIH cap on indirect research costs: the [Financial Accountability in Research \(FAIR\) Model](#). GSA recently [issued a policy brief](#) based on information published by the JAG.

One way to respond to these new policies undermining scientific discovery is by joining your colleagues at GSA's annual Capitol Hill Day, March 10 and 11. GSA is [now accepting](#)

[registrations](#) for this program which supports your development as a scientist-citizen – no prior advocacy experience required. We provide the training you'll need and accompany you along the way as you meet with senators' and representatives' offices to champion the importance of funding of the NIH and other aging-related federal programs.

As our field contends with such challenges, we are also leveraging the power of coalitions to help GSA members become scientist-citizens. The Society is a leading partner on [Americans for Medical Research](#), a campaign led by Research!America. Our goal is to educate policymakers and the public about the vital role played by NIH in funding scientific research. Related ads are already appearing in the Washington, DC, area. Here's an example from Washington National Airport:



For maximum impact, the campaign needs the voice of individual GSA-member researchers. [I invite you to sign up for updates on the campaign website](#). You'll receive notices about calls to action and information on virtual advocacy training.

As we continually adapt and respond to new developments, GSA will also continue to innovate regarding the programs we provide to support members in meeting this moment in history. If it is not business as usual for you in 2026, it will not be at GSA.

# MemberNews

## Honors/Appointments/Career Transitions

- **Carolyn Clevenger DNP, RN, GNP-BC, AGPCNP-BC, FAANP, FGSA, FAAN**, has been appointed the founding dean of the University of Georgia School of Nursing, effective January 1. She was previously a professor at Emory University's Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing and founder and director of Integrated Memory Care at Emory Healthcare.
- **Janice Keefe, PhD, FGSA**, professor and chair of the Department of Aging and Family Science, Lena Isabel Jodrey Chair in Gerontology, and director of the Nova Scotia Centre on Aging at Mount Saint Vincent University, was recently presented with a Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Prince Edward Island's Alumni Association.

### Members in the News

- On November 5, **Ranak Trivedi, PhD, FSBM, FGSA**, authored an op-ed for India Currents titled "[Cuts To Medicaid Have Killed Our Dreams of Aging Gracefully](#)".
- A November 26 Mother Jones article titled "[Turns Out Fighting Fascism Helps You Live Longer](#)" included quotes from **Cal J. Halvorsen, PhD, MSW, FGSA**.
- **James Appleby, BSPharm, MPH, ScD (Hon)**, and **Daniel Belsky, PhD**, were quoted in a November Kiplinger article titled "[Government Research Cuts Hit Older Adults](#)".
- **Lindsay Peterson, PhD, FGSA**, was interviewed for a November 28 WESH Orlando news broadcast titled "[AARP report flags nursing home care costs](#)".

- **Sarah Neller, PhD, APRN, AGPCNP-BC**, has been named by Harding University as its Carr College of Nursing Alumna of the Year for 2025. She currently serves as an assistant professor of nursing at the University of Tennessee. Neller's work explores the cultivation of generativity and the concept of leaving a legacy of values to enhance social and communal engagement for older adults..



### Member Spotlight

GSA's website features monthly Q&A sessions with distinguished members. The current spotlight shines on: [\*\*Eileen M. Sullivan-Marx, PhD, FGSA\*\*](#)

### New Books by Members

"Dyadic Health Science: Theories, Methods, and Future Directions," by **Karen S. Lyons, PhD, FGSA**, **Amy J. Rauer, PhD, FGSA**, and **Christine M. Proulx, PhD, MS, FGSA**. Published by Cambridge University Press.

### Member Referral Program

This month's \$25 Amazon gift certificate winner:

**Dana Burr Bradley, PhD, FAGHE, FGSA** (who referred new member **Nichlas Fox, MA**)

To learn how you can become eligible, visit: [www.geron.org/referral](http://www.geron.org/referral).

We welcome member submissions at [news@geron.org](mailto:news@geron.org).

## Recent Policy Actions



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Visit [www.geron.org/advocacy](http://www.geron.org/advocacy) to learn more about GSA's advocacy-related activities, including our weekly [Federal Policy Pulse](#) newsletter.

GSA invites members from around the country to advocate for policies that support aging research during [GSA Capitol Hill Day](#) on March 10 and 11. Registration is now open!

GSA CEO James Appleby, BSPharm, MPH, ScD (Hon), was quoted in [a statement in support of Caring for Caregivers](#), a legislative package introduced by Senator Edward J. Markey (MA). The bills support family caregivers' economic, physical, and emotional health through financial literacy resources, expansion of peer support services and respite care, and access to medically tailored meals.

GSA has voiced support for [The Strategic Plan for Aging Act](#), which would create a grant program under the Older Americans Act to incentivize and support states to create their own multisector plans for aging and aging with a disability. These state-led, cross-sector plans provide resources to transform the infrastructure and coordination of services for older adults and their families. GSA's National Center to Reframe Aging has worked with several states in [developing well-framed plans](#).

### Summer Internship Opportunity

Are you a graduate student interested in aging policy or learning about how research can contribute to policies affecting the health and well-being of older people? Learn about the responsibilities and opportunities of [GSA's O'Neill and Hyer Summer Policy Internship](#). Applications are due January 30.

## On Capitol Hill: New Year, Same Health Care Struggle

**By Brian Lindberg, MMHS, FGSA**  
GSA Policy Advisor

By the time you read this column, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) enhanced premium tax credits (also called subsidies) previously available to millions of Americans have expired as of December 31. Extending the enhanced premium tax credits is the reason congressional Democrats

went to the mat against congressional Republicans, leading to an impasse and government shutdown in October and November.

Everyone gambled on who would benefit politically from a shutdown. Frankly, that may be decided by



who has the best spin doctors and who spends the most money in the mid-term elections – though at this point Dems seem to have fared better.

Currently, the government is funded until January 30. Senators who agreed to vote with Republicans to end the shutdown did so with the promise of a vote on a health care bill addressing the extension. On December 11, the Senate voted on proposals, including extending the credits, but none passed. On December 17, the House passed (216-211) a conservative health care bill that did not include an extension. Bipartisan discussions are underway to develop viable proposals before January 30.

A note of clarification on [how the One Big Beautiful Bill Act \(OBBA\) will affect the ACA](#): The OBBA made changes that restrict access and impose verification requirements for patients receiving premium tax credits, including eliminating automatic re-enrollment, restricting immigrant eligibility, removing provisional eligibility, and eliminating the repayment cap. The OBBA did not end the enhanced premium tax credits; however, it did not extend them, thereby allowing them to expire on December 31. This expiration, coupled with the ACA restrictions, is projected to affect up to 24 million Americans who depend on the ACA for health care coverage.

[KFF analysis](#) expects premiums to increase by 114% on average (about \$1,016 per year). As an example, a 60-year-old couple earning around \$85,000 annually could see their premiums jump from about 8.5% of their income to about 25% (roughly \$22,600 per year).

Through my work for people with serious illnesses and their caregivers, I have learned these facts translate to very real distress. People with serious and ongoing illnesses – cancer, COPD, diabetes, heart disease – cannot go without health care. If they decide not to go to a

doctor or hospital, their lives hang in the balance. If they do get the treatments they need, their financial security collapses under the cost of non-covered care. Certainly, if one is unable to afford insurance without assistance, one is unlikely to be able to pay out of pocket for serious illness care.

The loss of ACA expanded premium tax credits also affects caregivers, many of whom work less than full time and do not qualify for employer-sponsored health insurance. In addition, small business owners, the self-employed, and people not yet eligible for Medicare all depend on the marketplace and credits for health coverage.

Looking ahead to 2026, Congress's first order of business will be to continue the appropriations process. Nine appropriations bills must pass by January 30 to fund the government for fiscal year (FY) 2026. The Senate is looking to move five spending bills as a package, including the two biggest: the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies bill, and the Defense bill.

The House Appropriations Committee has been slower on the process, as Chair Tom Cole (R-OK) would like to have the top line budget amounts before moving individual bills on the floor. This has not been a concern for Senate Appropriations Committee Chair Susan Collins (R-ME) and Vice Chair Patty Murray (D-WA).

For our purposes, keep in mind that the House and Senate Health and Human Services spending bill provisions are not in sync. The House bill proposes \$108 billion in discretionary spending, lower than the \$116 billion proposed in the Senate, but higher than the \$94.7 billion in Trump's budget request.

We are a long way from agreement on either the final appropriations levels for FY 2026 or the extension of the expanded ACA premium tax credits. And one wonders: who would benefit from another shutdown?

broadly applies to academic scholars, community advocates, educators, policy makers, students, and society's older adult population.

Resilience within GSA is not an abstract ideal; it is a practiced commitment rooted in our long-standing investment in training and supporting scholars throughout every stage of their academic and professional development. This training must begin within the communities where scholars work, live, learn, and serve.

When scholars are grounded in the lived realities of the communities they study and serve, they are better equipped to produce research that is relevant, inclusive, and impactful. By nurturing talent in community and healthcare settings, minority-serving institutions, and academic programs, we ensure that gerontology reflects the rich diversity of lived experiences that shape the aging experience.

This commitment is demonstrated through initiatives such as the Resource Centers for Minority Aging Research, Advancing Diversity in Minority Aging Research, and other mentoring partnerships such as the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Aging Conference, which aims to promote research, scholarship, and professional development, and diversity and representation in gerontology.

Cultivating a robust cohort of emerging scholars relies on sustained mentorship, equitable access to professional development opportunities, and the creation of intentional pathways that support students' and early career scholars' progression from initial interest to long-term academic and professional engagement.

This was evident at the 2025 GSA Annual Scientific Meeting, which hosted 297 undergraduate student registrants, an increase from 174 at the 2024 meeting. This growth is especially noteworthy given that more than 900 undergraduate students are GSA members. And about 30% of the total membership is comprised of graduate students, postdocs, and early career members.

Their participation underscores a growing interest in aging scholarship and highlights the urgent need for expanded mentorship,

structured guidance, and enhanced networking opportunities. These students constitute the emerging pipeline of gerontological scholars, and their strong engagement affirms the impact and importance of GSA's ongoing efforts to support the next generation of the field.

As we look ahead, we must continue to strengthen the connections that help students and early-career professionals thrive. Our collective vigilance will ensure that gerontology remains a vibrant, innovative, and resilient discipline. With this commitment, GSA is not only preparing the next generation, but preserving the future of aging science.

Let's celebrate a productive and impactful year ahead, concluding with an exciting and inspiring GSA Annual Scientific Meeting November 4-7 at National Harbor, Maryland, just south of Washington, DC, on the shore of the Potomac River.

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Tamara Baker, PhD, FGSA, is a professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Her background in gerontology, psychology, and biobehavioral health has evolved into an active research agenda focusing on health disparities/equity; and understanding the behavioral and psychosocial predictors and outcomes of chronic pain among older adults.

She is an appointed member of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Geriatric and Gerontology Advisory Committee, the Taylor & Francis' Editorial Advisory Board, and editor-in-chief of *Ethnicity & Health*.

Baker is a past GSA secretary, past chair of GSA's Behavioral and Social Sciences Section and Minority Issues in Gerontology Advisory Panel, and was a recipient of GSA's James Jackson Outstanding Mentorship Award. She also co-founded and serves as a co-convenor of GSA's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Collaborative Interest Group – which annually co-organizes an HBCU Aging Conference with Black in Gerontology and Geriatrics Inc.

## Benefits and Opportunities Await ESPO Members in 2026



*By Guoping Jin, MSW*  
University of Pittsburgh

Happy New Year! ESPO continues to serve as a home for students, postdoctoral fellows, and early-career professionals within GSA. On behalf of the newsletter team, we are pleased to highlight several key accomplishments from 2025 and share plans for continued engagement in 2026 for all ESPO members.

### ESPO Highlights of 2025

As always, the GSA Annual Scientific Meeting was the cornerstone of ESPO activities in 2025. Members connected with peers and senior colleagues through ESPO-sponsored events, including the Breakfast & Community Meeting, Informal Chats, and various symposia. These opportunities fostered collaboration across institutions and disciplines and reinforced ESPO's role within the broader GSA community.

Throughout the year, the ESPO Dissertation and Pre-Proposal Writing Groups continued to provide structured support, accountability, and peer feedback for members at critical stages of the research process. In addition to supporting productivity, participants also built lasting networks with peers navigating similar academic milestones.

ESPO also expanded its webinar and virtual programming, offering sessions focused on mentorship, career transitions, publishing strategies, grant writing, and navigating both academic and non-academic career pathways. These webinars reflected ESPO's ongoing commitment to addressing the evolving needs of early-career scholars and providing

accessible opportunities for professional development throughout the year.

### Looking Forward: Engaging with ESPO in 2026

As we look ahead to 2026, ESPO remains committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive community for early-career scholars across gerontology research. We encourage all members to stay connected by joining the ESPO community on [GSA Connect](#) and following GSA on [X/Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Bluesky](#) to receive timely updates on events and news.

Although the 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting is just behind us, it is already time to mark your calendars for the [2026 Annual Scientific Meeting](#), to be held in National Harbor, Maryland from November 4 to 7. Additional information will be shared through GSA Connect and ESPO communications as details become available.

Volunteering will continue to be one of the most meaningful ways to engage with ESPO in 2026. Opportunities range from short-term roles to multi-year leadership positions, allowing members to contribute in ways that align with their availability and professional goals. Volunteer openings are typically posted in the fall.

We look forward to another year of collaboration and engagement. ESPO welcomes your ideas, feedback, and involvement as we continue to build programming that supports emerging scholars and professionals. If you would like to get involved or have suggestions for future initiatives, please contact us at [espo@geron.org](mailto:espo@geron.org).

## The Power of an Undergraduate Membership to GSA



By AGHE Past Chair Christine A. Fruhauf, PhD, FAGHE, FGSA  
Colorado State University

As an undergraduate student at The Ohio State University, I took undergraduate research credits and worked closely with then-doctoral candidate Laura Landry-Meyer on her dissertation research, which addressed role conflict experienced by custodial grandparents. It did not take long for Laura to instill in me a passion for research and discovery, and to continue learning about “all things” related to adult development and aging.

For example, I still remember meeting with her on campus and even at her home to assist with data analysis. One time, I noticed she had an issue of *The Gerontologist* on her desk, and I asked her more about it. Laura told me that reading *The Gerontologist* was one of the many ways she “keeps up to date” with current science in gerontology and that the journal was part of a larger network, the Gerontological Society of America (GSA). This was also the first time I heard of GSA.

She said to me, “You know, if you are considering applying to graduate school, you might want to think about becoming a member of GSA.” She explained that as a member, you’ll receive issues of their journals, that it is a good way to network, and that GSA has several additional resources to support students interested in gerontology.

I’m certain I immediately registered to become a member of GSA – I have been a member since 1997. It wasn’t long after that I received my first issue of *The Gerontologist*, and although I’m not certain I found time to read it cover-to-cover as

Laura told me she did, I believe I carried it with me to class ... and thought I was so cool.

Honestly, I credit Laura for instilling in me a passion for research and my professional home, GSA. Today, my primary area of research (still) is exploring the experiences of grandparents raising grandchildren when no parent is present in the home. I’m a tenured full professor, and I am currently finishing my term as chair of AGHE.

More importantly, today GSA offers free memberships to undergraduate students and provides many more benefits than it did nearly 30 years ago when I was a student. Although GSA student members cannot necessarily “carry” an online issue of *The Gerontologist* across campus, they certainly can benefit from the state-of-the-art science that is published in the journal (and other journals GSA owns), attend GSA’s Annual Scientific Meeting and benefit from student travel funds, actively engage with ESPO, and participate in the many interest groups.

I encourage those of you who work closely with undergraduate students to let them know about the free student membership to GSA – you never know what [the power of a GSA membership](#) may bring.

I also hope you will consider supporting [GSA’s Student and Emerging Scholars Fund](#) through section-specific donations, which helps ensure more students can attend and participate in our Annual Scientific Meeting.

"Suzanne has been a respected leader within the GSA membership for years," said GSA CEO James Appleby, BSPharm, MPH. "Her expertise makes her ideally suited to advance a core goal of the [GSA Strategic Plan](#), which is to elevate interest in the field of aging and foster support for aging-related education."

Kunkel currently is a senior research scholar of the Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University, where she also holds the honorary titles of university distinguished professor of gerontology emerita, and executive director of the Scripps Gerontology Center emerita.

"The work that I am doing with GSA allows me to put my four-decades-long commitment to gerontology education to use," Kunkel said. "I have the privilege of working with an amazing group of creative, thoughtful, passionate and visionary people on the GSA Gerontological Education Experts Workgroup. We are working on a list of resources and activities to send clear messages to multiple audiences – including campus leaders, community partners, employers, GSA members, and potential students and their parents – about the value of gerontology education."

Kunkel has co-authored two gerontology

textbooks and more than 90 articles, book chapters, and research monographs on the aging network, innovations in the delivery of social care, partnerships between community-based organizations and health care entity, population projections, global aging, and gerontology education.

She has been principal investigator (PI) or co-PI on externally-funded grants totaling more than \$7.8 million. Currently at the Scripps Gerontology Center, she is working on projects with USAging (with funding from The John A. Hartford Foundation and RRF Foundation for Aging) related to the expansion and replication of evidence-informed and evidence-based community-based social connection programs for older adults and caregivers.

Kunkel joins the company of GSA's five other visiting scholars and executives: Robin A. Barr, DPhil, Richard Browdie, MBA, FGSA, Kevin Crain, Terri Harvath, PhD, RN, FAAN, FGSA, Sarah Khasawinah, PhD, MHS, and Patricia W. Slattum, PhD. Previous visiting scholars include Katie Maslow, MSW, FGSA, and Ning Jackie Zhang, PhD, FGSA.

For further information on becoming involved in the program, visit [geron.org/vse](http://geron.org/vse).

## Goals

The Visiting Scholar and Executive Program is designed to provide members with the opportunity to:



### Goal 1

Advance GSA initiatives related to their professional interests.



### Goal 2

Combine their research projects with GSA's programmatic needs.



### Goal 3

View the aging research enterprise through the lens of the larger Society.



### Goal 4

Broaden their professional network.

# Board of Directors Meets

The GSA Board of Directors met in person on November 11, 2025, led by Chair Judith L. Howe, PhD, FGSA, FAGHE. President Marilyn R. Gugliucci, MA, PhD, FAGHE, FGSA, AGSF, FNAOME, provided an update on relevant Society activities. CEO James Appleby, BSPharm, MPH, ScD (Hon), provided updates on GSA's 2025 CEO Action Plan and strategic and program activities.

Chief Operating and Financial Officer Jim Evans briefed the board on the GSA 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting. Vice President of Policy and Professional Affairs Patricia D'Antonio, BSPharm, MS, MBA, BCGP, provided an update

on federal policy activities, the GSA 2025 Policy Series program, and GSA 2026 Capitol Hill Day. Vice President of Strategic Alliances and Practice Innovation Lisa McGuire, PhD, FGSA, provided an update 2025 strategic alliances activities and the outlook for 2026.

The following two items were motions approved by the board:

- Approval of the September 2025 board meeting minutes
- Updates to the GSA Gerontology Competencies for Undergraduate and Graduate Education



# Journal News

## Service Opportunities Currently Accepting Applications

- [Editor-in-Chief Search Workgroup](#)
- [Journal Reviewer](#)

## New Issue

- [Uncertainties of Aging Policy in the New American Order](#) (Public Policy & Aging Report)

## New Supplement Issues

- [Healthy Brain Initiative and Building Our Largest Dementia Infrastructure: Dementia as a Public Health Imperative](#) (The Gerontologist)
  - o This supplement addresses the 20th anniversary of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Healthy Brain Initiative (HBI), a national effort to address Alzheimer's disease and related dementias as critical public health issues. Launched in 2005 and expanded by the 2018 Building Our Largest Dementia Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Act, the HBI significantly advanced public health capacity in dementia risk reduction, early detection, caregiving support, and national surveillance. (Supplement funder: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.)
- [Engaging Older Adults and Families in AI and Technology Design](#) (Innovation in Aging)
  - o This supplement highlights advances in artificial intelligence (AI) and presents examples of the state of science and projects being developed at the Johns Hopkins Artificial Intelligence and Technology Collaboratory, the Massachusetts AI and Technology Center for Connected Care in Aging & Alzheimer's Disease, and the Penn Artificial Intelligence and Technology at the University of Pennsylvania. (Supplement funder: The National Institute on Aging of the National Institutes of Health)

- [Aging Well in an Aging Society: Italy at the Forefront of Population Aging](#) (Social Sciences section of The Journals of Gerontology, Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences)
  - o This supplement focuses on Age-It, a research program designed to leverage Italy's position at the forefront of global aging to advance transdisciplinary research and inform evidence-based policies and practices on aging. It illustrates Age-It's scientific agenda to transform demographic change into opportunities for an inclusive, healthy, and sustainable society. (Supplement funder: National Recovery and Resilience Plan, Next Generation EU, Project Age-It: "Ageing Well in an Ageing Society")

## Calls for Papers

- [Thematic Issue on Public Policy, Aging, and Public Health](#) (Public Policy & Aging Report, deadline February 20)
- [Animal Models of Frailty](#) (Biological Sciences section of The Journals of Gerontology, Series A: Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences, deadline March 1)
- [Celebrating 10 Years of Innovation in Aging: Innovation and the Innovation Process in Gerontological Research](#) (Innovation in Aging, deadline June 30)
- [Mechanobiology of Aging: Forces Shaping Lifespan](#) (Biological Sciences section of The Journals of Gerontology, Series A: Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences, deadline June 30)
- [Translational Geroscience](#) (The Journals of Gerontology, Series A: Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences, rolling submissions)



## GSA Fellows Nominations

Fellow status is the highest category of GSA membership, awarded to members who demonstrate exceptional contributions to gerontology through research, teaching, public service, and practice. It also reflects active engagement in advancing GSA's mission and impact across the field.

**Nominations open December 15, 2025  
through February 16, 2026.**

Find out more about nomination requirements and procedures at [geron.org/fellows](http://geron.org/fellows).



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