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Annual Meeting Volunteers Still Sought
GSA is looking for students, seniors, and anyone else interested in helping out and attending the country’s largest professional conference on research about aging.

Volunteers are needed to staff the Press Room, the Registration Desk, the Poster Hall, scientific sessions, Pre-Conference Workshops, and other meeting-related activities. Your registration fee will be waived if you can work either one 8-hour shift or two 4-hour shifts between Friday, November 18 and Tuesday, November 22.

For more information, contact Denise Gammonley at dgammonl@mail.ucf.edu

NIA Counts GSA Among “Friends”

GSA is proud to be a founding member of a new endeavor known as “Friends of NIA” (National Institute on Aging). This group will help represent NIA to the policy and public communities through activities such as press conferences, coordinated advocacy, etc. This is similar to “Friends” groups for other Institutes at NIH. Friends of NIA now lists 47 members, and GSA is on the executive committee. On September 22, a kick-off event was hosted at the Rayburn House Office Building to officially launch this effort. Congressmen Edward Markey (D-MA) and Jim Moran (D-VA) joined the group in recognizing the need for more research to effectively combat the diseases of aging and improve quality of life for all Americans. Markey sits on the House Finance and Commerce Committee, which has oversight of the recent NIH Reauthorization efforts.

Spotlight Shines on Groundbreaking Sessions

The Ollie Randall Symposium
Under the title “Measuring on the Residential Care/Assisted Living Population: Recent Federal Efforts,” this symposium reports findings from recent federal efforts to measure at the national level the population that resides in residential care/assisted living (RC/AL). The presentations by a multidisciplinary group of economists, statisticians, nurses, health services researchers, demographers, and providers, will focus first on current estimates of the RC/AL population. The discussion is to continue with a focus on planned future survey efforts by the federal government and will include a survey overview and domains, and discussion of survey design and data collection methodological difficulties. The symposium will conclude with a floor discussion about future federal activities to enhance measurement on the RC/AL population in light of these presentations. Sunday, November 20 at 1:45 p.m.

The Capitol Hill Experience – Learning Public Policy From the Inside Out
Aging and health policy play an essential role in research, practice, and education. The John Heinz Senate Fellowship was created in memory of the late United States Senator John Heinz who spent much of his congressional career as an outspoken advocate for the rights of older Americans. This session will be presented by Heinz Fellows and former Heinz staff members from a variety of different disciplines to increase understanding of the role of policy in both aging research and practice, and to help aging professionals understand how to translate research, evidence, and best practices into sound aging policy. Monday, November 21 at 3:15 p.m.

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Members Head Forum in Preparation for WHCoA

On September 24, GSA joined six other national aging institutions to organize a Solutions Forum on Research in preparation for the upcoming White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA). A panel of speakers including GSA members Drs. Richard Sprott, Linda Fried, Charles Mouton, Robyn Stone, and Steve McConnell spoke to the need to continue to increase research in basic and translational research and to expand professional training in aging research and practice. There was also a call for better coordination of research and training within the federal structure as well as more public/private collaborations. The resolutions resulting from this conference, as well as other WHCoA updates, are available on the National Academy on an Aging Society website at www.agingsoociety.org.

WHCoA Delegates To Confer at GSA Annual Meeting

The following GSA members have been chosen as official delegates to the White House Conference on Aging. Since this list was developed by staff from public information, it may not be complete. If your name has been omitted, please contact Greg O’Neill at goneill@agingsociety.org. There will be a Sunday evening session at the Orlando meeting specifically for these representatives to prepare for the WHCoA. Details on this gathering can be obtained from the Information Desk at the GSA conference.

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Timothy Schwab
Michael Smyer
Kathleen Spears
Besty Sprouse
Susan Stark
Cynthia Stuen
Sandra Timmerman
Fernando Torres-Gil
Lawrence Weiss
Terrie Fox Wetle
Monika White
Nancy Zweibel
APHA Bestows Distinction on Binstock
Bob Binstock, professor of Aging, Health and Society at Case Western Reserve University, has been bestowed with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Public Health Association’s (APHA) Gerontological Health Section. He is a former GSA president and will be honored at APHA’s meeting in Philadelphia in December.

Burr Bradley Ascends to New Post
Dana Burr Bradley joined the faculty of Western Kentucky University in August. She is the inaugural Cliff Todd Distinguished Professor of Gerontology and will head their Center for Gerontology. Bradley previously worked for UNC Charlotte, where she held a joint appointment in Gerontology and Public Administration.

New Member Publication
Baby Boomer Health Dynamics: How Are We Aging?
By Andrew Wister. Published by University of Toronto Press.

Survivors of the Holocaust: Aging and Adaptation
by Eva Kahana, Boaz Kahana, and Zev Harel.
Published by Kluwer/Springer Press.

Colleague Connected!
Helen Black is this month’s winner of an amazon.com gift certificate thanks to the latest drawing in the Colleague Connection contest. Her name was drawn from a pool of individuals who introduced a new member to the Society during September. GSA extends congratulations to Black and Susan Hannum, whom she referred.

Again, for more details on this promotion, visit http://www.geron.org/ColleagueConnection.htm.

Devoted Members Oversee Program Launch
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro hopes to meet the needs of the retiring baby boomers and other older adults with a new dual master’s degree in gerontology and business administration. Guiding the program’s development will be a national advisory board made up of some of the nation’s foremost experts in this area, including Harry “Rick” Moody of AARP in Washington, D.C., Neal E. Cutler of Widener University, Harvey Sterns of the University of Akron, Victor Marshall of the NC Institute on Aging, and GSA President-elect Charles F. Longino Jr., of the Reynolda Gerontology Program at Wake Forest University.

Just Released!

“Dementia Care and Quality of Life in Assisted Living and Nursing Homes”
A special issue of The Gerontologist
Guest Edited by Richard Schulz, PhD
Member Price: $15

“Health Inequalities Across the Life Course”
A special issue of The Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences
Guest Edited by Steven H. Zarit, PhD & Leonard I. Pearlin, PhD
Member Price: $15

Summer 2005 Public Policy and Aging Report
“Older Americans 2004”
Edited by Robert B. Hudson, PhD
Price: $20

Publications available through GSA’s online store at www.geron.org.
(Public Policy and Aging Report can be obtained directly through the National Academy’s website at www.agingsoociety.org.)
AGHE’s Presence at the GSA Annual Conference

We look forward to seeing many of you at the November 18–22 meeting of The Gerontological Society of America (GSA). Please make a point to network with your AGHE colleagues during the meeting and specifically at the following sessions:

- **AGHE Symposium: Higher Education Under Siege: A Special Case — Gerontology**
  Saturday, November 19, 1:30 – 3:00 PM
  R. J. Maiden and E. Pimpinella (Alfred University); Judith A. Sugar (University of Nevada, Reno); Harry R. Moody (AARP Office of Academic Affairs); H.L. Sterns and G.A. Lax (The University of Akron).

- **AGHE Symposium: The International Mandate: Gerontology Education Around the World**
  Monday, November 21, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
  N. Tsukada (Nihon University); P. Liebig (University of Southern California); R. Majeski (University of Maryland University College); R. van Rijsselt (Vrije University, Amsterdam); F. Whittington and S. V. King (Georgia State University); M. Gachuhi (Kenyatta University, Kenya); J. Mitchell (East Carolina University); D. Shenk (University of North Carolina at Charlotte); A. Pelham (San Francisco State University); D. Stepp (Association for Gerontology in Higher Education).

The following are AGHE co-sponsored symposia:

- **Working Together Across School and State Boundaries to Improve Geriatric Education Around the World**
  Saturday, November 19, 8:30 – 10:00 AM

- **Engaging Social Work Faculty in Aging Research**
  Saturday, November 19, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

- **Evaluating Interdisciplinary Education in Geriatric Medicine: A Template to Evaluate Community Health Center Interventions**
  Sunday, November 20, 8:30 – 10:00 AM

- **Mental Health Aspects of Diabetes for Elders From Diverse Ethnic Backgrounds**
  Sunday, November 20, 3:30 – 5:00 PM

- **Developments in Geriatric Faculty Training for Physicians, Dentists, and Behavioral/Mental Health Professionals Program**
  Monday, November 21, 8:30 – 10:00 AM

- **Putting Social Security's Latest Crises into Historical Perspective**
  Monday, November 21, 1:30 – 3:00 PM

- **The Interdisciplinary Mandate: Gerontology at a Disciplinary Crossroads**
  Monday, November 21, 3:15 – 4:45 PM

- **The Capitol Hill Experience: Learning Public Policy from the Inside Out — An Interdisciplinary Perspective**
  Monday, November 21, 3:15 – 4:45 PM

- **Geriatrics Departments versus Divisions — The Debate Continues**
  Monday, November 21, 5:00 – 6:30 PM

- **HRSA GECs: Interdisciplinary Collaborations in Bioterrorism and Emergency Preparedness Reaching Beyond Individual GECs**
  Monday, November 21, 5:00 – 6:30 PM

- **Marsha Goodwin Beck Memorial — Follow-up of Bridging the Workforce Gap Consensus Conference**
  Tuesday, November 22, 8:30 – 10:00 AM

- **Diversity in Theory, Concepts, and Methods: Development of Gerontology Doctoral Dissertations**
  Tuesday, November 22, 8:30 – 10:00 AM

In addition, the following pre-conference workshop is being co-sponsored by AGHE’s Academic Program Development Committee and the GSA/AGHE Research Education and Practice Committee:

- **Aging Research Strategies: Competencies, Mentoring, and Publishing for Students and Professionals**
  Friday, November 18, 1:30 – 5:30 PM

Indianapolis, on Friday February 10. Following the award presentation, there will be an address by Dr. McAuley.

**The Time to Lead: Call for AGHE Board Nominations**

Are you ready to give something back to your national professional association? Are you available to help AGHE strengthen the position of gerontology in higher education? Do you know of a colleague who would be suited to a leadership position in AGHE? If so, AGHE’s Nominations Committee would like to hear from you.

The Nominations Committee is seeking names of persons to put on the ballot for this winter’s election of officers. Four positions will be filled: Secretary and three Members-at-Large.

There are many benefits to serving on AGHE’s Executive Committee. You will have an opportunity to help influence the field of...
TIPS FOR NAVIGATING THE ANNUAL MEETING

There are many details to consider when planning to attend a large-scale conference. As students, national conferences must be viewed as an extraordinary opportunity for networking, obtaining new information, and becoming acquainted with those who are prominent within the field of aging. Presented here are some tips and suggestions that can help students better prepare for this year's annual meeting.

PLANNING YOUR DAYS

At a large conference such as the Gerontological Society of America's, there will be more sessions available than one can possibly attend. Therefore, it is wise to take the time to view the conference program prior to the initiation of the conference and carefully select the presentations and events to attend. This will allow students to plan their days accordingly and manage their time more effectively.

Inevitably, there will be many sessions of interest that will be held during the same time slots. While it may be difficult to choose which sessions to attend, students may want to choose the ones that will be most helpful in terms of their interests and ongoing research. Additionally, it is a good idea to seek and attend presentations given by those who are considered leading experts in a particular area of inquiry. For example, if a student's area of interest is in family caregiving, he or she should plan on attending sessions given by those who are most prominent within the caregiving literature.

It is extremely important that students partake in the events hosted by the Emerging Scholar and Professional Organization. One of these events is the ESPO breakfast on Saturday morning (November 19th). The Breakfast (8 – 8:30 a.m.) offers an informal opportunity to meet the ESPO chairs, section leaders, and committee representatives, as well as other students and emerging professionals who share an interest in aging research. Following the breakfast, a more formal business meeting, led by the ESPO chairs, will provide reports regarding ESPO activities that occurred during the past year. The meeting informs students and emerging scholars about opportunities to become more active in GSA (e.g., campus representatives, committee representatives), and offers a forum where students and emerging professionals can voice ideas and opinions relevant to ESPO and its role within the larger Society.

This year, the SRPP and BSS sections are trying something new. In the spirit of encouraging networking among students and GSA Fellows, these sections have organized roundtable sessions. The SRPP session will convene on Sunday November 20th between 10:30 a.m. and 12 p.m., and the BSS roundtables will be held Sunday November 20th from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Roundtables offer the opportunity for students and GSA Fellows to sit in a close-knit, informal setting for the purpose of discussing various themes, such as searching for a post-doc, publishing, and balancing academic and non-academic lives.

In addition to attending particular sessions, students may want to consider introducing themselves to the speakers. While this may seem intimidating, it is actually simpler than it sounds. The majority of professionals within the field are very welcoming toward students, and do not mind taking a few minutes to speak with them. Many students have had positive experiences using this strategy, and have benefited greatly from it. After all, the individuals with whom a student becomes acquainted at a national conference may end up becoming prospective employers.

Take these suggestions into consideration prior to attending this year's conference. It will make the time spent more productive and less overwhelming. In the meantime, I hope that all of you are looking forward to this year's annual conference and the opportunities that it will provide!

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gerontology education at the national level. You will forge valuable professional contacts with colleagues from different types of institutions throughout the country. You will have access to the latest information about developments in the field. You will gain personal skills in program management, long-range planning, and financial development.

To be selected for the slate of officers, you must be affiliated with an AGHE member institution, have had experience working with AGHE on committees or in our various programs and services, have appropriate leadership skills, and be committed to improving and strengthening gerontology education.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the AGHE office at (202) 289-9806 or from AGHE's website: www.aghe.org. Please submit your nominations by November 11, 2005, to the current Nominations Committee chair:

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What’s the Latest on Social Security Reform?
Social Security reform is a top item on President Bush’s policy agenda. At the beginning of his second term, his Administration launched the “60 Stops in 60 Days” tour to promote his vision for a stronger Social Security system that includes personal accounts financed by revenues drawn from the traditional revenue base for Social Security. This has sparked a major debate about the future of Social Security. This symposium, organized by GSA’s Public Policy Committee, will explore potential benefits and limitations of partial privatization as a strategy for Social Security reform.
Saturday, November 19 at 10:30 a.m.

Women and Obesity: Disturbing Trends
Obesity-related conditions which uniquely or mostly affect women include arthritis, breast cancer, endometrial cancer, cardiovascular disease, and gall bladder disease. This panel explores the implications of rising obesity in the elderly and, in particular, elderly women. Panelists will examine the social, medical, and biological origins and implications of this trend. Session sponsored by the GSA Task Force on Women.
Monday, November 21 at 3:15 p.m.

GSA Awards Assembly
Join fellow Society Members at this new awards assembly as the special award recipients for 2005 are acknowledged. This will immediately precede the GSA business meeting, wherein the official transfer of office will take place. A report on the status of GSA and its activities will also be given. New GSA Fellows will be recognized at the meeting as well!
Sunday, November 20 at 5:15 p.m.

Civic Engagement in an Older America
In 2004, GSA launched the “Civic Engagement in an Older America” project, a five-year initiative funded by The Atlantic Philanthropies. One of the project’s first activities was a series of forums and focus groups on civic engagement held in four cities across the country earlier this year, in conjunction with the upcoming 2005 White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA). Based on input from these events, a set of policy recommendations were submitted to the WHCoA. This symposium will explore potential policy options, including GSA’s recommendations, with a panel of individuals including members of GSA’s Civic Engagement project, representatives from other civic engagement initiatives, a former director of a national service program, and a WHCoA Policy Committee member.
Sunday, November 20 at 3:30 p.m.

Why Seniors Are Turning to Complementary and Alternative Medicine Therapies
Americans of all ages are turning to Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) therapies for a variety of reasons: dissatisfaction with standard medical care, to improve quality-of-life, alleviate chronic pain, and promote general health and longevity. With increased use, further knowledge of the benefits and drawbacks of CAM therapies is becoming crucial. While the field is relatively new and few techniques have been subjected to rigorous studies, there is a growing body of information about CAM utilization and specific applications and techniques. This symposium will provide a brief review of the literature on CAM use in the elderly population and will use a multidisciplinary panel of experts in several CAM modalities to discuss the use and reported benefits of CAM.
Saturday, November 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Transportation Policy for an Aging Society
Transportation and aging advocates had their concerns heard at three officially designated listening sessions and solutions forums from January through April, 2005 in preparation for the White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA). Policy recommendations were made representing the whole continuum of community mobility from the screening and assessment of critical skills for driving to supplemental transportation programs for elders. Which of the recommendations ultimately made it to the WHCoA delegates? Moreover, which issues were not heard and what work remains for advocates, policy decision-makers, and consumers?
Monday, November 21 at 1:30 p.m.

A Major Trial of Exercise to Prevent Disability: The LIFE Study
As life expectancy increases, prevention of disability has emerged as a major clinical and public health priority. A critical factor in an older person’s ability to function independently is mobility, the ability to move about without assistance. Older people who lose mobility are less likely to remain in the community, have higher rates of morbidity and mortality, have more hospitalizations, and experience a poorer quality of life.
Saturday, November 19 at 3:30 p.m.

Health Status And Disparities In Late Life: Junior Scholars Paving the Way in Minority Aging Research
The Minority Task Force of The Gerontological Society of America will present a symposium that addresses some of the many physical and mental health issues that confront the nation’s aging minority population. The panel will consist of talented junior scholars in the field of gerontology who are committed to understanding and identifying some of the biological and psychosocial issues plaguing our diverse aging population. They will focus on factors that are important for our understanding of adult development, aging, and disparities in late life.
Saturday, November 19 at 1:30 p.m.
The Gerontology Institute at Georgia State University invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professor in the psychology of aging, to begin August 2006. Ph.D in psychology or related field is required at time of appointment. We seek a person with research and teaching interests in the psychology of aging and urban health, including such topics as health behavior, chronic disease, health service systems, prevention and intervention, and mental health. We are open to candidates from a variety of psychological perspectives, including those trained in clinical, community, or social psychology. Responsibilities include undergraduate and graduate teaching in gerontology and research in the area of aging and health. We are seeking applicants who can contribute to the University’s Partnership in Urban Health Research (http://urbanhealth.gsu.edu/), an interdisciplinary collaboration to increase health research on urban populations.

Appointment will be in the Gerontology Institute, a unit of the College of Arts and Sciences. A joint appointment in the Department of Psychology is anticipated and encouraged. Information about the Department of Psychology can be found at: www.gsu.edu/psychology. The Institute has 4 full-time faculty members, 3 of whom are non-tenure-track research faculty, and 17 affiliated faculty in 10 departments representing all colleges of the university. The Institute has awarded 440 graduate and undergraduate certificates in gerontology since 1973 and began a new master’s program in gerontology in fall, 2004. The Institute’s current research programs are federally funded and focus on health behavior in three-generation African American families and the quality of long-term care, especially in assisted living. The Institute maintains a research and teaching partnership with Kenyatta University in Nairobi, Kenya. Further information about the Gerontology Institute is available on our website: www.gsu.edu/gerontology. Georgia State University is building a culturally diverse faculty and enthusiastically encourages applications from minorities.

Candidates should submit: 1) a letter outlining qualifications; 2) a curriculum vitae; 3) graduate transcripts; 4) a sample of scholarly work; 5) evidence of teaching effectiveness; and 6) three letters of recommendation. Send materials to:

Dr. Frank Whittington
Gerontology Institute
Georgia State University
P. O. Box 3984
Atlanta, GA 30302-3984

Review of applications will begin January 10, 2006 and continue until the position is filled. Georgia State University, a unit of the University System of Georgia, is an Equal Opportunity Educational Institution and an EEO/AA employer.
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The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs anticipates a tenure-track position, pending funding, for a clinical gero-neuropsychologist beginning August 2006. Applicants should have a Ph.D. from a university-affiliated APA-accredited clinical program with research and clinical training in aging. Faculty are committed to excellence in teaching and research, with the expectation that faculty maintain a productive program of research with commitment to obtain external funding. Clinical instruction and supervision in the departmentally run clinic based in the community (CU Aging Center) will be part of the teaching load. Licensability in Colorado is important. The fourteen faculty in the Psychology Department currently offer an undergraduate degree, MA programs in clinical and experimental, and a new Ph.D. in geropsychology that launched in 2004 (more info at http://www.uccs.edu).

The campus, serving nearly 8000 students, is located on the front range of the Rockies in Colorado Springs which has a metropolitan population of approximately 500,000 with easy access to diverse recreational areas. A letter of application, vita, research papers, and three letters of recommendation should be sent to:

Chair, Clinical Geropsychology Search Committee
Department of Psychology
University of Colorado,
P.O. Box 7150
Colorado Springs, CO 80933-7150

(719) 262-4500
email: ddubois@uccs.edu

Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply. Review of applications begins October 15th, 2005, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The University of Colorado at Colorado Springs is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and encourages a diversity of applicants.
The Department of Aging and Mental Health (AMH) at the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI), University of South Florida (USF), invites applications for two post-doctoral fellowship positions in geriatric mental health services research for a preferable start date of Fall, 2006. Position offers competitive salary plus benefits. The successful candidate will have a doctorate (or a doctorate awarded by fellowship start date) in psychology, aging/gerontology, public health, or other social science disciplines and a strong background in issues related to aging and/or behavioral health services research. The successful candidate will have a record of accomplishment commensurate with someone who has recently completed his/her degree, and should be motivated to build a research career. He/She will be expected to choose and work closely with a mentor to develop a program of research related to geriatric mental health service delivery for older adults. Department faculty conduct research and training relevant to improving mental health and substance abuse services for older adults. FMHI is an applied research facility within USF, a Research Extensive University, with a consortium of aging interests including the USF School of Aging Studies, Geriatric Medicine, Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging, and an interdisciplinary doctoral program in Aging Studies. FMHI is Florida’s primary research and training center for behavioral health services and a nationally recognized source for its innovative research and training.

Minimum qualifications: Doctorate (or a doctorate awarded by date of fellowship start date) in psychology, aging/gerontology, public health, or other social science disciplines and a strong background in issues related to aging and behavioral health services research.

Preferred qualifications: Demonstrated interest in advanced training and potential expertise in: 1) Research related to behavioral health services for older adults; 2) Research related to the behavioral health services research of the department; 3) External, competitive grant funding related to geriatric mental health services research; 4) Working productively with diverse populations and being committed to the principles of equal opportunity; and 5) Interdisciplinary collaboration with public mental health, substance abuse, and/or aging systems.

Application Process: Email applications will not be accepted. Send letter of application indicating your research areas/interests, detail their applicability to the research interests of AMH faculty and or AMH’s mission, and indicate the faculty member with whom you would be most interested in collaborating. For more information see: www.fmhi.usf.edu/amh or contact vmolinari@fmhi.usf.edu. Also include your vita, names, addresses (including email), and telephone numbers of three references. Mail to Dr. Victor Molinari, Dept. of Aging and Mental Health, Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute, University of South Florida, 13301 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa, Fl 33612. Application packets will be accepted until position is filled. Review of applications will begin immediately. All documents submitted are treated as open material with the exception of evaluative documents specific to the performance of the faculty of Florida’s publicly funded universities. USF is an equal opportunity, affirmative action, equal access institution. For disability accommodations contact Janice Forman at (813) 974-9810 or jforman@fmhi.usf.edu at least five working days in advance of need.
The aging of the United States population is highlighted by the need for increased research on diseases and disabilities that affect older persons. The objective of this advanced training program is to train pre- and post-doctoral students to conduct independent and original research in the epidemiology of aging, with an emphasis on the prevention of late life disability and functional decline (i.e. tertiary prevention). The program emphasizes five broad substantive areas where training faculty have extensive gerontologic research experience and ongoing projects: musculoskeletal disorders, neurological disorders, minority aging and health disparities, women’s health, and long-term care.

The training program is designed to enable trainees to master a core curriculum in epidemiology and biostatistics, become knowledgeable about the basic biological and psychosocial processes of aging which are fundamental to gerontology, become expert in at least one substantive area relevant to the prevention of disability and functional decline in the elderly, learn to contribute to a research team under the supervision of a primary mentor expert in a substantive area and a secondary mentor expert in epidemiology and/or biostatistics, and demonstrate the capacity to conduct independent, original research.

In addition to the many interdepartmental relationships within the School of Medicine and the UMB campus, our location in the Baltimore-Washington area maximizes opportunities for collaboration with government agencies, health care institutions and life science industries. The Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine is a national leader in funded research. For additional information about our multidisciplinary faculty and research programs, please go to http://medschool.umaryland.edu/epidemiology.

Applicants should send a statement of career goals, CV, and contact information for 3 references to: Jay Magaziner, PhD, MSHyg, Professor & Director, Division of Gerontology, Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine, University of Maryland Baltimore School of Medicine, 660 W. Redwood Street, HH200, Baltimore, Maryland 21201-1596.

Fellowships are supported by an NIH training grant (T32 AG00262); applicants must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. The University of Maryland Baltimore is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.
Have you been a contributor to the field of gerontology?
Have you been a member of GSA for 5 or more years?
If so, apply for Fellow status within the Society!

Fellowship is a recognition by peers for outstanding contributions to the field of gerontology and represents the highest class of membership in GSA.

For more information, please contact:
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Deadline for Applications: January 15th

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