GERO 121/221 Strategies for Optimal Aging Fall 2021 Syllabus

Important Note: Refer to the course calendar for specific meeting dates and times. Activity and assignment details will be explained in detail within each week's corresponding module. If you have any questions, please

contact your instructor. Subject to change.

Week	Module	Topic	Date	Assignments DUE	
1		Welcome to GERO 121 Course Overview Welcome & Introductions Course Requirements	8/30	Introduction – Meet your Peers Slide (PPT)	
2	9/6: Labor Day – No Class				
3 & 4	1	Oral Histories—The Art of Listening & Story Telling —	9/13	Personal Biosketch/Health Promotion Plan DUE DQ 1: Initial by 9/20	
		Capturing Someone's Life Story	9/20	DQ 1: Response by 9/27	
<mark>5 & 6</mark>	2	Holistic Approaches to Living	9/27	DQ 2: Initial by 10/4	
			10/4	DQ 2: Response by 10/11	
7 & 8	3	Health Promotion: A Case of Longevity	10/1 1	RM #1 DUE DQ 3: Initial by 10/18	
		Core Gifts	10/1 8	DQ 3: Response by 10/25	
9 & 10	4	Theories of Optimal Aging	10/2 5	DQ 4: Initial by 11/1	
		Thriving in the 2nd Half of Life: Late Life Development	11/1	RM #2 DUE DQ 4: Response by 11/8	
11 & 12	5	Role Transition: Changing Roles &	11/8	DQ 5: Initial by 11/15	
		Caregiving Aging & Change: Adjusting to Transitions	11/1 5	DQ 5: Response by 11/22	
13 & 14	6	Hardiness &	11/2 2	RM #3 DUE DQ 6: Initial by 11/29	
		Resilience Locus of	11/2 9	DQ 6: Response by 12/6	

		Control		
15	7	Legacy Builders & Kin Keepers Before I Die	<mark>12/6</mark>	RM #4 DUE 6-Word memoir DUE DQ 7: Initial by 12/10 DQ 7: Response by 12/13
16		FINAL EXAM 5:15-7:15 PM	12/1 3	Mandatory Attendance