

Gerontological Nursing

Outline:

We are responsible for undergraduate and graduate education in Gerontological Nursing. Our aims are to guide undergraduate and graduate students to become professional leaders and to create researchers in gerontological nursing. We also promote education and studies to enhance older adults' ability to live independently with the best physical and psychosocial functioning and spiritual well-being from our academic field, you will learn and research the life experiences and wisdom of older adults with respect.

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Main research in progress :

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- (1) Supporting for older adults with dementia to eat well: Focusing on environmental management
- (2) Decision-making support for older adults with dementia
- (3) Nutritional status associated with the recovery of walking ability during the perioperative period in older adults with proximal femoral fractures
- (4) Preventing burns in older adults
- (5) Oral and nutritional care in daycare facilities
- (6) End-of-life care for older adults with dementia

【Education Field】

Gerontological Nursing

Pathophysiology of Aging-associated Diseases and Nursing

Skills for Gerontological Nursing

Clinical Practice of Gerontological Nursing

Dementia Care

【Research Field】

Dementia Care

End-of-Life Care for Long-Term Care Residents

Dysphagia Management for Older Adults

Decision-Making Support for Older Adults

Nutritional Care of Older Adults in Acute Care Settings

Preventing Burns in Older Adults