



Gerontology Alumni Association and Support Group

“Coastline’s Gerontology Program keeps its students and alumni informed about opportunities for training and advancement. I recently attended the Gerontology Career Boot Camp and workshops like these offer valuable assistance in determining our career options.”

—Ethel Jordan
Program Alumnus

Support Coastline’s Gerontology Program

Improve the lives of elderly and their families by enhancing the training and opportunities for students of Coastline’s Gerontology program. Make your commitment by filling out this form and mailing it today.

Level of commitment (please check below):

- Member
- Patron
- Institutional Sponsor

Please contact me to discuss the Legacy Society

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Contact me via phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

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- I work for a matching gift company. My completed form is enclosed (Please contact the HR Department at your company if you are unaware of its matching gift policy).
- I am interested in learning more about planned giving opportunities available through The Coastline Foundation. Please contact me.

If enclosing a check, please make it payable to the Coastline Community College Foundation and reference “Gerontology Alumni Association and Support Group” in the notation line. The Coastline Community College Foundation is a non-profit; 501(c)3 organization.

Clip and return to: Coastline Foundation, 11460 Warner Ave., Fountain Valley, CA. 92708

“I received a scholarship to attend a conference sponsored by the California Council on Gerontology and Geriatrics. The first hand exposure to leaders in the field of aging speaking about the important issues of clients, professionals, educators, and students convinced me that I was on the right road in my educational and career goals.”

—Patricia McKeon
Coastline Gerontology Graduate

Find out more...

For more information on the Gerontology Program Alumni Association and Support Group, contact us:

(714) 241-6213
or visit

<http://gerontology.coastline.edu>



Coastline’s Mission: Coastline Community College is committed to student success through accessible and flexible education within and beyond the traditional classroom.

Coastline Community College—Interim President: Dr. Marilyn Brock

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Non-Discrimination Statement: It is the policy of the Coast Community College District to provide all persons with equal employment and educational opportunities regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, handicap, marital, or Vietnam-era status.



Improve the quality of life for seniors and their loved ones by supporting training and professional opportunities for students studying gerontology.

Tomorrow’s College Today.



What is the alumni and support group?

We apply for grants and count on donations from alumni, employers, older adults, and other members of our community to expand the overall educational experience of our students. Donors realize the importance of enhancing the student's future by providing scholarships, opportunities to network, stipends to attend conferences, and sponsoring special speakers, job connections and events. Developing professional contacts and networking in the field leads to a better understanding of employer and community needs and allows our students to find jobs which match their interests and skill-sets. By supporting the Gerontology Program via cash donations or donations of time and expertise, you can make a difference in the preparation of aging professionals and thereby enhance the quality of life of older Americans and their families.

Gerontology Program Outcomes

Our Community Advisory Board, representing employers, educators, and gerontology program alumni participated in establishing the skill-sets we expect students completing the gerontology program to be able to apply after graduation. At a minimum our graduates will be able to:

- Interpret and apply gerontological theories in everyday life.
- Apply effective communication skills in a variety of settings.
- Demonstrate the use of solid research principles in supporting opinions/ideas.
- Evaluate and assess individual needs and environmental demands in preparing an appropriate plan of action to enhance quality of living and to maintain functional capacity and adaptation throughout the life cycle.

Join Our Advisory Board

Our Community Advisory Board Members, guide the direction of the program, assist in connecting us with the community, attend and support events and participate in bi-annual meetings. If you work in the field of aging or have other skills you feel would contribute to our Board, please contact us to inquire about becoming a member.

Program Awards and Recognition

Coastline College's Gerontology Program was the first community college program in the nation to offer a professional certificate in gerontology that could be completed entirely online. The Gerontology Department and its faculty members have received a variety of awards including:

- The California Virtual Campus (CVC) best model course: Techniques of Working with the Frail
- The Instructional Technology Council's (ITC) Awards for Excellence in e-Learning: Outstanding e-Learning Education Program (best online program in the nation)
- The California Council on Gerontology and Geriatrics (CCGG) Betty and James Birren Emerging Leadership Award recognizing outstanding achievements of individuals in promoting the advancement of gerontology and geriatrics as fields of study in California: Awarded to faculty member Ellis Waller-Walker
- Award Recipient Community College Encore Career Grants Program sponsored by Met Life/Civic Ventures: Helping Boomers Retrain for Social Service Careers
- Recipient of Partnership Model Mini-Grant from the Family and Consumer Sciences Consortium of California to develop materials to support the course: Aging in a Multicultural Society

Levels of commitment and benefits

Alumni Association/Support Group Member

With your commitment of \$50 to \$249, you'll receive:

- The Coastliner newsletter
- Information about upcoming Gerontology Department events and activities
- Networking Opportunities
- Mentoring Opportunities

Alumni Association/Support Group Patron

With your commitment of \$250 to \$999, you'll receive:

- All of the benefits of a Member (see above) PLUS
- Recognition in the Coastline Community College's Annual report edition of the Coastliner
- Invitation for two to the Foundation's Annual Holiday Party
- Free postings to our job forum

Alumni Association/Support Group Institutional/ Company Sponsor

With your commitment of \$1000 or more, you'll receive:

- Ability to designate two individuals from the Institution/ Company to receive all of the benefits of Patron PLUS
- Recognition of your institution in the Coastline Community College's Annual report edition of the Coastliner
- Name recognition on the Donor Wall at the Coastline College Main building

Legacy society

The Legacy Society is our special way of acknowledging generous supporters who have included the Gerontology Program in their estate plans. With your Legacy Society commitment, you'll receive:

- Permanent recognition on Coastline's Donor Wall
- Special invitations to meet speakers
- Additional recognition on the Coastline College Web site

The benefits your support

Your contributions help support:

- Stipends to attend the meetings of professional associations
- Scholarships to offset the costs of tuition, books and other materials
- Networking events
- Noteworthy speakers
- Job Bank Development
- Continuing Education Application Fees

Remember your donations to the Coastline Gerontology Program under the Alumni and Support Group are tax deductible. We thank you for your support and look forward to enhancing the education and training of professionals to improve the quality of life of elders and their loved ones.



I was grateful to be the Gerontology Department's first scholarship award recipient. Besides the welcome financial contribution, the "pat on the back" goes a very long way. I will use this scholarship to purchase books for my classes and possibly help with a new computer.



Thank you for your support!

— Karen McCarthy

Recipient Gerontology Student Scholarship