

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY **MANAGEMENT OF AGING SERVICES** DEGREE?

Using the Major Sheet:

- Large headings indicate **industry** area and subheadings indicate **employers** within that area.
- Use the titles to search for careers and related careers in order to explore your options within different areas of industry. Note that some career titles have multiple names for similar positions.
- An asterisk (*) notes that additional training (certification, graduate school, high level of experience) in order to obtain this career. Make sure to thoroughly research career pathways.

WELLNESS AND PERSONAL CARE

Retirement Communities, Hospitals, Senior Centers, Adult Day Care Centers, Spas and Wellness Centers, Community Centers

- Fitness Trainer
- Recreational Therapy
- Communal Living Coordinator
- Home Care
- Nutritional Counselor
- Personal Trainer
- Fashion Consultant
- Retreat/Wellness Counselor
- Physical therapy
- Wellness Manager
- In-Home Art Instructor

HEALTH CARE SERVICE

Clinics, Treatment Centers, Mental Health Centers, Government, Adult Day Care Facilities, Assisted Living Communities

- Dietician
- Psychiatrist
- Long Term Care Administrator
- Physician
- Social worker
- Ophthalmologist
- Medical Records Staff

IN HOME SERVICES

Hospices, Private Residence, Rehabilitation Centers, Residential Treatment Centers

- Music Therapist
- Health Information Specialist
- Transportation Service
- Occupational Therapist
- Registered Nurse
- Optometry
- Podiatrist

PUBLIC POLICY/ADVOCACY

Political and Issue-Oriented / Non-Profit / Associations

- Volunteer Coordinator
- Membership Coordinator
- Meetings Coordinator
- Fund-Raiser/Development Associate
- Field Worker
- Grant Writer
- Community/Field Organizer
- Program Developer
- Community Relations Officer
- Special Events Planner
- Legislative Advocate
- Program Coordinator
- Project Manager
- Political Organizer
- Lobbyist Assistant
- Public Relations Specialist
- Public Policy Analyst
- Program Evaluator

Research Organizations (Issue-Oriented/Non-Profit/National Associations)

- Project Assistant
- Research Associate

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL SERVICES

Insurance Companies, Law Offices, Financial Planning, Investment Banking Firms

- Attorney
- Elder Law
- Senior Real Estate Specialist
- Financial Planner
- Case Manager
- Retirement Planning
- Insurance Sales

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Advertising / Marketing / Public Relations/Sales

- Advertising Account Manager
- Labor Relations Advisor
- Planning/Policy Development
- Public Relations Specialist
- Market Research Analyst
- Program Analyst/Evaluator
- Public Relations Manager
- Marketing Director
- Program Director

HUMAN RESOURCES

Nonprofit Associations, Businesses, Employee Assistance Programs, Government, Employment Agencies

- Employee Relations Specialist
- Ergonomics Assessment
- Vocational Rehabilitation counselor
- Human Resources Manager
- Industrial Psychologist
- Personnel Assistant
- Employment Specialist
- Diversity Training

HOUSING/REAL ESTATE

Architect Firms, Engineering Firms, Design Firms, Government, Retirement Communities

- Architect
- Home Modification Specialist
- Retirement Housing Professional
- Urban Planner
- Aging-in-Place Specialist
- Interior Designer
- Senior Housing Administrator
- Engineer
- Resident Manager
- Facilities Manager

LEISURE, RECREATION AND TRAVEL

Cruise Ships, Retirement Communities, Sr. Recreational Facilities, Parks, Travel Agencies

- Cruise Line Staff
- Travel Agent
- Event Planner
- Recreation Specialist
- Tour Guide

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

- Art Therapist
- Music Therapist/Voice Teacher
- Dance Instructor

Preparation for a Competitive Job Market:

- **Focus on transferable skill sets**, as you pursue a degree in Management of Aging Services.
- **Obtain relevant internship, co-op, or volunteer experiences.**
- **Supplement Management of Aging Services course work** with **classes** that are **relevant** to your career.
- **Meet with a Career Specialist** to explore options, make decisions, and prepare for career choices.

Additional Career Center Resources

- **Related Major Sheets (SOWK, PSYC, HAPP, BIOL, SOCY):** <http://careers.umbc.edu/tools/major-sheets/>
- **Links by Major:** <http://careers2.umbc.edu/tools/links.php>
- **The Vault:** <http://careers.umbc.edu/students/discover/explore-careers-majors/>

- Click on Vault Career Insider portal link and provide UMBC user ID and password

- Select "Guides" to view relevant guides such as:

"Vault Career Guide to Health Care Management"

"Vault Career Guide to Social Work"

"Vault Guide to Alternative Health Care Jobs"

"Vault Guide to Health Care Provider Jobs"

"Vault Guide to the Top Health Care Employers"

"Career Launcher: Health Care Mgmt"

"Career Launcher: Health Care Providers"

"Vault Guide to Allied Health Care Careers"

"Vault Career Guide to Elder Care Jobs"

• **Professional Associations:**

The Gerontological Society of America: www.geron.org

Association for Gerontology in Higher Education: www.aghe.org

National Academy on an Aging Society: www.agingsociety.org/agingsociety

Society for Human Resource Management: <https://www.shrm.org/pages/default.aspx>