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Miami U. part of international gerontology program

A Miami University program is one of 13 universities to receive \$215,400 in funding through an international program to improve higher education and student training in the field of aging.

Miami's Scripps Gerontology Center and the department of sociology and gerontology will use the three-year grant to implement an international interdisciplinary program in gerontology, according to a news release.

The U.S. Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education and the European Commission selected schools from 58 applicants.

Faculty at Miami, which is in Butler County just southwest of Dayton, will develop a curriculum for the comparative study of health and social services for older people. Faculty members will work with partners at Oregon State University; San Francisco State University; the University of Salamanca, Spain; Vrije University in Amsterdam, the Netherlands; and the University of Heidelberg in Germany.

The curriculum will be valid for both U.S. and European academic credit systems and will focus on classroom modules, teaching resources, Web-based components and guidelines for agency-based experiences. The program's goal is to contribute to the development of a well-trained work force in the field of aging.

The European Community/United States Cooperation Program is a grant competition to promote a student-centered, transatlantic dimension to higher education and training in a wide range of disciplines.

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