

Brief Synopsis for New Faculty, Advisory Council, Adjunct Instructors, Students, etc.

We are pleased to briefly introduce the programs and services of the Stockton Center on Successful Aging (SCOSA) and to Stockton's involvement in the Age Friendly University Global Network (AFU). Additional information is available on our website: www.stockton.edu/scosa. Because individual and population aging provides many opportunities and challenges for everyone, we hope you'll find this information useful on some level, regardless of your course(s), professions, or positions. Please *contact us if we can be of any assistance*.

SCOSA was established in 2007 to "nurture body, mind, & spirit of our older adult population through research, education and services." SCOSA builds upon Stockton's long-time leadership in interprofessional education and collaboration, and in gerontological education (Stockton's Gerontology Minor was founded in 1978).

Some key information, programs, and contacts:

While housed in the School of Social & Behavioral Sciences (SOBL), SCOSA's reach is broad:

For example, with our encouragement the Faculty Senate endorsed, and in 2019 the university joined the [Age-Friendly-University \(AFU\) Global Network](#), a network of universities that have pledged to support 10 AFU principles. For more information, see attached Age-Friendly PowerPoint presentation or contact our AFU champion Karen.Rose@stockton.edu.

Stockton faculty, students, and staff from across the university conduct projects of research, education, and/or service related to aging, often involving extensive community partnerships. See our [Research Page](#) for additional information.

Since our founding, over 80 faculty members have collaborated with SCOSA. Many others have sought

Certificate in Elder Care Coordination: A 15-week online program for staff at law firms affiliated with the Life Care Planning Law Firms Association. Has trained 160 individuals from 32 states over 12 years. See [Education – Professionals](#) at our website for additional information.

Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group: Weekly in-person & virtual sessions led by SCOSA’s Assistant Director Christine Ferri, Ph.D. (Christine.Ferri@stockton.edu) & Christine Gayda, Ph.D. (Christine.Gayda@stockton.edu). **Training Grant:** US ACL ADPI Sub-