

# Students Targeting Aging Research



University of Manitoba (UM) students with an interest in aging related topics are invited to join the Students Targeting Aging Research (STAR) group. STAR members are graduate and undergraduate students who are studying aging related topics from across the UM.

Gerontology is a growing field, with many opportunities to work with and learn from older people. Statistics Canada's demographic projections for 2024 show that one in five Canadians should be aged 65 and older.

## Benefits of joining STAR

- Connect with students from various disciplines
- Learn about careers in aging from professionals working in aging related fields and organizations
- Hear about current aging research from Centre on Aging Research Affiliates
- Join our mailing list to stay up-to-date on aging events, funding, training, jobs, and other opportunities for students
- Gain official UM credit for volunteering and participating through the co-curricular record



## Attending a STAR meeting

Currently, meetings are held virtually until it is safe to meet in person.

Meeting topics vary and are based on STAR member recommendations and interests. A typical meeting involves an information presentation and opportunity to ask questions from researchers, staff working with older adults, invited community members, network with peers, or take part in outreach activities to help support older adults in the community.

STAR is a peer led group and a university-approved activity. STAR is supported by the Centre on Aging.



## Connect with STAR

Students with questions about joining STAR can connect with the co-leads, Lisette Dansereau and Chetan Patil by email: [star@umanitoba.ca](mailto:star@umanitoba.ca)



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