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#### Higher education in Gerontology

The first is the Graduate Research Program offered by the University of Tokyo's Institute of Gerontology. Focusing on mental and physical health, the social environment, and community-based behavioral research, the program offers comprehensive educational and research opportunities that combine theoretical learning with practical field training. Graduate students participate in international research groups and foster global communication. The program, which fosters interdisciplinary connections among students and continues collaborative research after graduation, has attracted more than 100 students since its inception in 2014, enhancing their gerontology research skills.

The second presentation is an initiative to support interdisciplinary gerontology research and education to improve the quality of life for older Australians. Advances in gerontology research and the significance of incorporating the lived experiences of older adults will be discussed. Challenges and strengths in bringing about positive change in the experiences and quality of life of older adults will also be identified. Issues will also be raised regarding the roles of various stakeholders, partnerships, and strategies necessary to achieve transformative gerontology education. It will also encourage dialogue and collaboration to translate knowledge into practice.

Finally, the efforts of the Department of Geriatrics and Family Medicine, Chung Shan Medical University Hospital, Taiwan, will be presented.