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The day-long seminar will begin with registration at 8:15 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. It will feature several nationally known speakers and will count as Continuing Education credit for a variety of fields.

The moderator of the program will be Dr. James W. Kiriazis of Youngstown, chairman for the Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work. Dr. David Cliness of Poland, chairman of YSU's Department of Counseling, will open the program.

Dr. David Maldonado will address "The Hispanic Elderly: Socio-Cultural Considerations." He received his master's degree in social work, and doctoral degree from the University of California and is now an associate professor in the School of Theology at Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

"Special Issues Concerning the Eastern European Elderly" will be the topic of Dr. Bela Bogner. He received degrees in Belgium and his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Wisconsin. He is an associate professor in the Department of Social Work at the College of Medicine, Wright State University.

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Dr. Wilbur Watson will discuss "Aging and Social Behavior of the Black Elderly." He received his master's degree from Kent State University and doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania. He is chairman of Sociology and Anthropology at Atlanta (Ga.) University.

Next will be clinical practice workshops led by three professional human services persons: Dr. Carol Sacherman, clinical counselor with the Youngstown Hospital Association and part-time faculty member in the Department of Guidance and Counseling at YSU and Kent State; Mrs. Carmel Roques, Jewish Family and Children's Services and part-time instructor in sociology and social work at YSU; and Dr. Janet Gill-Wigal, assistant professor of counseling at YSU.

These workshops will deal with cultural consideration in family support groups, in religious and social service agencies, and in counseling older women.

Interested persons may obtain more information by calling YSU's Department of Sociology at (216) 742-3442, or NEOUCOM at 747-2247.

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