



**World Health  
Organization**

# **West Chester, PA is now a member of the WHO A Global Network of Age-friendly cities and communities**

*If you are a junior or senior and interested in conducting research or doing field in this area (research or applied work in aging, health, well-being, and community psychology)*

*Positions available for the Spring of 2015*

*Please see Professor Jasmin Tahmaseb McConatha*

*The World Health Organization's (WHO) Global Network of Age-friendly cities and communities is a Consortium of cities and communities worldwide that are striving to better meet the needs of their older residents. WHO's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities provides an opportunity for cities and communities to exchange information, resources, and support one another through shared experience. The aim of this international project is to create a global exchange on how to create senior friendly cities and communities through the creation of physical and social environments that promote healthy and active aging for older adults. On April 1, 2014 the Borough of West Chester will joined 24 other cities and towns in the United States that have been designated as "Age Friendly" communities.*

*For the next three years Professor Tahmaseb McConatha, West Chester undergraduate and graduate students, the Mayor of West Chester, the Borough Council, and residents of West Chester will collaborate with faculty and students of West Chester University to explore and promote the "Age-friendly" components of the West Chester community. Eight domains will be considered.*

- 1. Outdoor spaces and buildings*
- 2. Transportation*
- 3. Housing*
- 4. Social participation*
- 5. Respect for diversity and social inclusion*
- 6. Civic participation and employment*
- 7. Communication and information; and*
- 8. Community and health services*

