N456 Community Health Nursing – Global Health Opportunity

What is N456: Community Health Nursing is a required 8-credit course, consisting of 2 credits of lecture and 6 credits of clinical, normally taken during the Fall or Winter Term of senior year. Students assess physical, social, and cultural environments, identify populations at risk, and implement and evaluate appropriate nursing interventions. During clinical practice they apply the nursing process in delivering community health nursing services in partnership with health agencies and communities.

Spring 2015 Global Community Health Option: Current juniors, who will be seniors next year, can take N456 Community Health Nursing in Spring 2015, the term prior to the start of senior year. Clinicals will include six weeks in a local community health agency followed by two to three weeks of global health field work either in Quito, Ecuador or in New Delhi, India. This experience will include an exploration of cultural and social determinants that impact health, both in the U. S. and at the field site.

What this means for you during your senior year: Completion of N456 during Spring 2015 will allow students to:

1. Pursue up to 8 credits in electives (if needed) of your choice along with N454 Leadership and Management during the semester when you would normally have taken N456 as a senior.
2. Take the N454 course alone and be a part-time student for that term so that you can free up time for your job search, a part-time job, or other extracurricular pursuits.

Why Ecuador? Hispanics are the largest ethnic minority in the US; in the 2010 census, 12.5% of US households spoke Spanish at home. Thanks to our faculty research connections, UMSN has an agreement with the Ecuadoran Ministry of Health that allows a unique opportunity for immersion in a large, urban Latin American community and firsthand experience of another country’s public health care system. A side trip to a rural area allows us learn about health care and childbirth at a smaller hospital and as provided by traditional midwives.
**Why India?** According to UN estimates, India’s population will overtake China’s in 2028, when it is expected to reach about 1.45 billion. India’s capital, New Delhi, has the second largest urban population of any city in the world, surpassed only by Tokyo. Our partner, Salokaya College of Nursing, places students in a wide range of settings, including publicly funded and private hospitals, rural health training centers and rural community clinics. This program allows U-M undergraduates to team up with Salokaya students at their clinical sites for two weeks of direct observation, providing a window on the interplay between public and private healthcare sectors in the world’s largest democracy.

**Language Requirement:** Classes in Michigan will be in English, as will class discussions in Quito and New Delhi. However, students going to Ecuador must have intermediate level Spanish and will be interviewed to determine level of proficiency. No foreign language proficiency will be required for India.


**Program Costs:** The program fees include accommodations, meals, excursions and local transportation. Students should budget additional funds for airfare, immunizations and personal expenses. Financial aid will also be available for these costs, and students may apply to The Office of Global Outreach (OGO) for need-based scholarships. Special scholarship funding is available for India from the Presidential India Initiative.

- **Ecuador:** Program Fee: $1105
  Estimated Additional Costs: $1600
- **India:** Program Fee: $925
  Estimated Additional Costs: $2350

**How to Apply:** Click to reach application pages in M-Compass  
**Ecuador**  
**India**  
(Please note: Both programs are jointly sponsored by UMSN and [CGIS Global Connections](http:).

**Application Deadline:** December 15, 2014. Program implementation is subject to minimum enrollment.

**For more information,** contact the instructors for the course:

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