GLOBAL PRACTICE, POLICY, & LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Global Practice, Policy, Leadership (GPPL) Concentration is offered to students in the DNP program. It is designed to advance students’ understanding of evidence-based practice, policy, and leadership related to global health. The program allows students to engage with a community of health colleagues across the world through various networking and professional development opportunities. Requirements include 8 credit hours of coursework and a residency on cross-cultural issues.

REQUIRED COURSEWORK

(8 CREDITS TOTAL)

- HS 530 (1cr): Global Health Seminar 1: This course is designed to develop critical knowledge and skills to solve real-world issues working with domestic and international partners.
- HS 630 (2cr): Global Health Seminar 2: This course allows students to learn to present their global health projects to domestic and international partners.
- Choose one:
  - NURS 521 (3cr): Perspectives in Global Health: This interdisciplinary, clinically-focused elective explores the issues that directly or indirectly affect health in low- and middle-resource countries.
  - NURS 642 (2-3cr): Global Health Leadership: This course is designed to equip students with knowledge, skills, and practical tools needed to successfully lead within global public health systems.
- Global Health Elective (2-3cr): Any course related to global health from nursing, public health, or a related field. Approved electives are shared on the Global Health Nursing Canvas site.

CROSS-CULTURAL RESIDENCY

In addition to coursework, another requirement for the DNP GPPL concentration is an approved residency. Eligible options include individual or collaborative projects with UMSN global partners (virtually or in-country) focusing on evidence-based practice, policy, or leadership.

Examples of collaborative projects with UMSN global partners:

- Topics related to hospital-based care/health in Ghana
- Health promotion in Liberia
- Community and sexual health in Dominican Republic
- Evaluation of maternity waiting homes in Nicaragua, Bolivia, and Guyana
- Low-fidelity simulation-based training for nurse educators from low resource settings
- World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland
- Pan-American Health Organization, Washington, D.C.

FUNDING GLOBAL EXPERIENCES

- UMSN Scholarships: The Office of Global Affairs has annual scholarships available for currently enrolled nursing students.
  - OGA Funding Application deadlines:
    - Fall/Winter Programs - November 1
    - Spring/Summer Programs - March 1
- Other UM Scholarships: The Global Health Nursing Canvas site has a scholarships page where you can find current scholarships that are available to nursing students from across campus.

STEPS TO DECLARE THE DNP GPPL CONCENTRATION

Meet with the UMSN Office of Global Affairs (OGA) advisor Beste Erel Windes to map out a work plan. Set up an appointment by email: beste@umich.edu.

Work with OGA Advisor to complete: forms to declare the concentration, approval of global project, elective courses, pre-departure preparation (if applicable) and post-program follow-up.

UMSN Graduate Advisors will work with the OGA to determine when all requirements for the concentration have been met.