

NURS 418: Global Health Field Experience Course
Maternal & Newborn Child Health
Urban and Indigenous Healthcare Practices in Quito, Ecuador
3-credits, Summer Term 2019

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Course is limited to **6-8** nursing students who are in good academic standing and must have completed their first semester BSN coursework before summer travel.
- Cost is approximately \$2,500-\$3,000 including airfare, lodging and program fee.

To be eligible for consideration and approval to register for this summer course, interested students must meet the following qualifications:

- Must be part- or full-time students in good academic standing.
- Must commit to selected travel dates and participate fully in all pre- and post- travel course sessions scheduled.
- Demonstrate potential to sustain continuous and productive work in a resource limited setting, i.e. interact and communicate effectively with internal and external parties in a professional and effective manner.
- Demonstrate potential to exercise discretion, judgment and manage own work independently as well as exhibit mature interpersonal skills, flexibility, discipline, and commitment to working within a team-oriented environment. *Important to demonstrate these characteristics in the letters of interest and recommendation.

Students will be selected from qualified interested candidates. Interested students must complete the following steps for full consideration:

To apply for the NURS 418 Global Health Field Experience Course

Complete a Letter of Interest, 1-page limit, front and back Word Document including all following components:

- i. Applicant's Full Name
- ii. UMB Student ID Number
- iii. Nursing program (RN-BSN or Traditional BSN, Shady Grove or Baltimore), program start date, and expected date of graduation (semester and year)
- iv. Previous international travel experience, if applicable
- v. Foreign language proficiency, if applicable.
- vi. **Primary reason you are interested in participating in this summer elective.** For example, what do you expect to gain from this course? What would you most like to learn? What would your engagement contribute as a member of the Ecuador course?
- vii. **Briefly describe your career goals.** For example, what do you plan to do following the completion of your nursing degree program?
- viii. **Full name and contact information (email address & phone number) for one professional/personal reference.** You **must** notify your reference in advance and request the person submit via email an electronic recommendation letter document to complete your application materials by specified due date. This individual must include your full name, relationship to you, and their contact information. **The recommendation letter should describe clearly and concisely your capacity to participate successfully as a member of the Ecuador course.**

- 1. *Submit your letter of interest* via electronic attachment email to DL-NRSOGH@umaryland.edu and ogbolu@umaryland.edu.**
- 2. *Submit Recommendation Letter*** (1-page limit, front and back, Word Document) on applicant's behalf from a professional/personal reference submitted as an electronic attachment to Dr. Yolanda Ogbolu via email to DL-NRSOGH@umaryland.edu and ogbolu@umaryland.edu.
- 3.** As needed, selected students will be contacted to schedule a brief follow-up interview. Review of interested candidates will conclude after all available spaces are filled for the Ecuador course.

Questions? For more information, visit the Office of Global Health, Room 480 or via email at: DL-NRSOGH@umaryland.edu

Important Dates

- **Statement of Interest Application is DUE by 5:00PM, Friday February 15**
 - You may be contacted for a brief interview by instructors as part of the application process. As needed, phone or in-person interviews will be scheduled.
- **1 Recommendation Letter per applicant is DUE by 5:00PM, Monday February 18**
- Selected students will be notified via SON email on or before **March 1**
- Students must confirm their space in the course by:
 - Formally accepting course seat on or before **March 8**
 - **AND must** submit a deposit of \$350 on or before **March 15**
- The remaining balance of the program fee payment is DUE by **April 30**