

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION:

PROMOTING GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP,  
CULTURAL COMPETENCE, AND  
LEADERSHIP SKILLS AMONG  
BACCALAUREATE NURSING  
STUDENTS

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# INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

## Learning Objectives

- The learner will be able to describe appropriate strategies for the development of a successful international collaboration.
- The learner will understand the importance of global citizenship and the role of international collaborations to facilitate this characteristic.

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# INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION: LITERATURE

- Driving Forces
  - Valued Outcomes
  - Global Focus of Institutions
  - Limited Availability of Clinical Sites
- Obstacles
  - Cost
  - Time
  - Value and Interest
  - Logistics and Development
  - Health and Safety
- Opportunities
  - Endless

McKinnon, T. H. & McNeils, A.M. International Programs in United States Schools of Nursing: Driving Forces, Obstacles, and Opportunities. *Nursing Education Perspectives*, 34(5), 323-328.

# GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

- The University of Virginia's College at Wise, Accomplishments and Goals: Students will acquire an international perspective and be able to assume the responsibility of citizenship.
- Global Citizenship: Someone who understands interconnectedness, respects and values diversity, has the ability to challenge injustice, and takes action in personally meaningful ways.

# GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

- Acquiring knowledge of various cultures
- Awareness and appreciation of diverse practices among cultures
- Willingness to collaborate with the citizens of various cultures

# BELIZE UVA WISE

- Since spring of 2009
- Mobile clinics and established clinics
- Students perform health histories and assessments, obtain vital signs and dispense medications under the direction of MD and NP
- Serve as interpreters



# CLINIC DAY ONE 2009

- Church
- Two Sunday school rooms
- Total 117 patients
- No running water
- No Bathroom
- Majority of patients arrived by bus early am





# CULTURAL AWARENESS





# COLLABORATION/COMMUNICATION



# LITERATURE ON LEADERSHIP

- Role Development
- Collaboration and Team Effectiveness
- Creating a Just Environment: Team Construction
- Resource Management

Porter-O'Grady, T. & Malloch, K. (2016). Leadership in Nursing Practice, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Jones & Bartlett Learning: Burlington, MA.

# LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- Developing communication and collaboration skills is essential for delivering high quality and safe patient care.
- Professional nurses must develop an understanding of and a sensitivity to a variety of cultures to provide high quality care across settings. This international collaboration enhances cultural competence.
- The development of global citizenship and cultural competence are essential components of the role of the professional nurse.

“The Essentials Of Baccalaureate Education” (2008).

# UVA WISE - BELIZE

- Passport
- Safety
- Funding
- Recommended Immunizations
- Time for pre and post mission planning





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