Fall 2015

NURS 373 Fall Capstone Sites

**Intensive Courses:** Most students who register for NURS 373 in the Fall take intensives in August. Intensive dates for each site are listed at the end of the site description.

**Start and End Dates:** Most sites start in late August and end by late November. Exact start dates will vary from site to site. Some distance sites have different start and end times, dates are listed at the end of the site description.

**Transportation:** Students are responsible for their own transportation to and from sites.

**Capstone Synthesis Day:** All students participate in capstone synthesis day. Typically this is during the last week of classes for the fall semester or on the first or second day of spring semester.

**Local Site Descriptions and Information**

Most Cleveland area sites will require a car for transportation.

1. **Cleveland Metropolitan School District (4 students)**
   Students will work as part of the staff for the Prentiss Grant. Activities will include training, leadership roles in screening and demonstration school activities, data cleaning and analysis, special projects. Part of their time will be spent working in teams on projects identified within the school district. Projects may include the development of educational programs for children and parents, implementation of a physical activity program, collection and evaluation of baseline and evaluation data and community work.

   Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing
   10900 Euclid Ave
   Cleveland, OH 44106
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

2. **Public Health Departments**
   - Cleveland Department of Public Health (3 students)
   - Lorain County General Health District (2 students)
   - Shaker Heights Health Departments (1 student)
   Teams of two to three students per project will work on special projects within the health departments. Examples of projects from the past include working with pandemic flu preparation, services for the elderly, improving rates of HIV testing and services for adolescent mothers. Travel will be required within the county or city you are assigned.
   **Websites:**
   - [http://www.clevelandhealth.org/](http://www.clevelandhealth.org/)
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November
3. **Otis Moss Medical Center (2 students)**
Mission: To Heal, To Teach, To Discover, in a spiritually supportive environment.

The Otis Moss Jr. University Hospitals Medical Center is a unique partnership formed between University Hospitals and The Olivet Institutional Baptist church in 1997. This health center provides pediatric, OB/GYN and Internal medicine services to the Fairfax Community. The center is designed to meet the medical, health education, spiritual and psychological needs of the communities they serve. Students would work with the nurses on providing preventative health services and the delivery of routine care at the site and in the community.

University Hospitals Otis Moss Jr. Health Center
8819 Quincy Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44106
**Website:** [http://www.uhhospitals.org/locations/case/otis-moss](http://www.uhhospitals.org/locations/case/otis-moss)
**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

4. **Southwest General Hospital, Community Nursing Department, Middleburg Heights, OH (1 student)**
This community hospital has implemented a comprehensive community outreach program including innovative programs for the elderly, community based clinics and transitional nurse programs for selected populations such as congestive heart failure and hospice. Students will be introduced to the broad services of the Community Nursing Department and then will be assigned to one program as their primary focus.

SouthWest General Health Center
18697 Bagley Road
Middleburg Heights, OH 44130
**Website:** [http://www.swgeneral.com/services/](http://www.swgeneral.com/services/)
**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

5. **VA Home Health (2 students)**
The U.S. Department of Veteran’s Affairs provides a variety of home health activities including home visits for veterans. Students are based out of Louis Stokes VA Medical Center with occasional trips to the Akron office. Students will travel with a nurse to make home visits.

Louis Stoke Cleveland VA Medical Center
10701 East Blvd.
Cleveland, OH 44106
**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November
6. **Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) (2 students)**
The VNA provides a wide range of home care for clients of all ages throughout the Cleveland Area. Students will spend three weeks working with managers in three different clinical areas all while working on their project.

Visiting Nurse Association  
2500 E. 22nd St.  
Cleveland, OH 44115  
**Website:** [http://www.vnaohio.org/](http://www.vnaohio.org/)  
**Intensive Courses:** August  
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

7. **McGregor PACE (4 students)**
McGregor PACE provides health care and other services to older adults in the home, the community and day health centers. In the PACE program an interdisciplinary team works with older adults to help them remain at home while getting the services they need.

**East Side (2 students)**
Moving a new site in Warrensville Heights in early 2015

**West Side (2 students)**
MetroHealth Senior Health and Wellness Center  
4229 Pearl Road  
Cleveland, OH 44109  
**Website:** [http://www.mcgregorpace.org/](http://www.mcgregorpace.org/)  
**Intensive Courses:** August  
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November
8. **MetroHealth School Health Program** (2 students)
The MetroHealth School Health Program brings primary care clinics to CMSD schools. Students will work with the Program Directors of the program and help with community outreach, patient care, program administrative tasks and needs assessment. Students work at the MetroHealth main campus, at various schools throughout the CMSD, and at different community based organizations.

The MetroHealth Center
2500 MetroHealth Drive
Cleveland, OH 44109
**Website:** [http://www.metrohealth.org/school-health](http://www.metrohealth.org/school-health)

**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

9. **NetWellness** (2 students)
The NetWellness project is a website designed to provide reliable health information. This project is based at Case in the School of Medicine. The students work on different projects including a health fair for Case for Community Day, building web content for the site, and working on health literacy. Students can choose from health topics that interest them to focus their capstone project.

Case Western Reserve School of Medicine
10900 Euclid Ave
Cleveland, OH 44106
**Website:** [http://www.netwellness.org/](http://www.netwellness.org/)
[http://casemed.case.edu/healthcommunications/](http://casemed.case.edu/healthcommunications/)

**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November

**Additional Capstone Experience** (10-14 students)
Senior nursing students are paired with biomedical engineering (BME) students working on their own capstone projects to create biomedical devices. Nursing students work with the BME students as consultants. The nursing students, provide clinical expertise, a real world perspective, research disease processes, treatments, and health interventions, and guide BME students through patient experiences. Students will spend part of their capstone time working with BME students (about 75 hours), the majority of the time will be spent at their primary capstone site. In the past nursing students have worked on projects for international sites, for flight nursing simulation, falls prevention devices, peanut allergy detection devices, and improving IV catheter design, just to name a few. Students who sign up for this experience are only required to work with the BME students in the fall semester, however, the BME projects continue through spring and some nursing students choose to continue to consult in the spring as well.
National Distance Sites Descriptions and Information

1. **Alaskan Public Health Service (2-4 students)**
The exact sites and number of assignments in Alaska can change. They depend on the interest and capability of each site that would like to work with a student. In 2014 students in Alaska worked with the Alaskan Public Health Service but in four separate sites alongside public health nurses delivering care to the Native population in rural and urban communities. In Fall of 2014 students were in Wasilla, Bethel, Kodiak, and Fairbanks. **If you are interested in Alaska, please indicate what region or town you would prefer. Then the Alaska Public Health Service will try to pair you with a site in that area. Placements are based solely on the availability of sites; there is no guarantee that students will be placed in Alaska.**

   http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Nursing/Pages/recruitment/default.aspx
   http://commerce.alaska.gov/cra/DCRAExternal/
   http://live.laborstats.alaska.gov/alari/

   **Intensive Courses:** May
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Mid August to late October
   **Housing:** Housing is the responsibility of the student. Most of the preceptors can make suggestions for housing options. Many of our students in Alaska have rented rooms from families as housing in rural areas is limited.
   **Expenses:** Airfare to Alaska, housing and other living expenses, and transportation around Alaska.

2. **University of Virgin Islands, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands (2 students)**
This experience will focus on the health issues and challenges within the population of the St. Thomas. Students will be enrolled in the Community Health course in the Department of Nursing of the University of the Virgin Islands. Students will also take several other courses related to the history and culture of the Virgin Islands. Students will live in housing on the UVI campus or near by. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

   **Website:** http://www.uvi.edu/
   **Intensive Courses:** May
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Mid-August to mid-December
   **Housing:** UVI will give students information about housing
   **Expenses:** $2500 living expense plus airfare about $1000
3. **Catholic Charities of Pittsburgh Free Health Care Center, Pittsburgh, PA**
   (2 students)
   This agency provides primary care as well as specialty care to the uninsured of the Pittsburgh area. The students at this site will work alongside RN’s and APRN’s as they deliver care in this agency staffed primarily by volunteer physicians, nurses, dentists, podiatrist etc.

   Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center
   212 9th Street
   Pittsburgh, PA 15222

   **Website:** [https://www.freecarepgh.com/](https://www.freecarepgh.com/)
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November
   **Housing:** Housing is the responsibility of the student. There are a number of rental options geared towards university students with good access to public transportation in Pittsburgh.
   **Expenses:** Travel to Pittsburgh, transportation around Pittsburgh, housing, and living expenses.

4. **Hawaii Pacific University, Honolulu, HI** (2 students)
   Students complete coursework and clinicals in community health in the nursing program at HPU. They will learn about local culture and public health. Students will be paired with a local agency and will work with HPU faculty to develop a capstone project. Housing is available on and off campus, though on campus housing can be limited. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

   **Website:** [http://www.hpu.edu/CNHS/BSN/](http://www.hpu.edu/CNHS/BSN/)
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to late November
   **Housing:** HPU will give students information about housing
   **Expenses:** Living expenses plus airfare
International Distance Sites Descriptions and Information
All international sites require a passport, many require visas as well. Students are responsible for obtaining and paying for passports and visas. The Study Abroad Office can answer questions regarding passports and visas.

1. **The University of Hong Kong (4 students)**
   In this experience students will be enrolled in the School of Nursing at the University of Hong Kong. The experience will include coursework in the school and clinical observations related to faculty clinical research projects. The clinical research projects will be negotiated with the appropriate faculty upon arrival. Instruction in the University of Hong Kong is in English. GPA of 3.0 or greater required. **You must submit a capstone application and an application to the Study Abroad Office. If you are assigned to HKU by FPB faculty you will apply to HKU too.**

   **Website:** [http://cedars.hku.hk](http://cedars.hku.hk)
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late August to mid-December
   **Housing:** Housing on campus is limited. On campus housing assignments for international students are generally not made until the very beginning of the semester. We recommend students apply for on campus housing, but reserve a back-up housing option, with refundable deposit just in case. HKU will give names of off campus housing options, however, students are responsible for arranging their own housing.
   **Expenses:** Airfare about $1300 plus living costs. Cost of living is generally higher than CWRU and deposits are often required for housing.

2. **Wuhan University, Wuhan China (2 students)**
   Students will be working with faculty at Wuhan University and will be exposed to a variety of clinical experiences which will allow them to observe and participate in the delivery of Traditional Chinese medicine. Some acute care experiences may also be available. Students may attend classes designed for international students including an introduction to Mandarin Chinese. Classes are taught in English. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

   **Website:** [http://en.whu.edu.cn/](http://en.whu.edu.cn/)
   **Intensive Courses:** August
   **Estimated Start and End Dates:** Early September to mid-December
   **Housing:** Housing is available on or off campus. On campus housing arranged through Wuhan University.
   **Expenses:** Airfare about $1500 plus living costs, generally lower than CWRU

3. **Ireland (4 Students)**
   - **National University of Ireland at Galway (2 students)**
   - **University College Cork, Ireland (2 students)**
   Students will be enrolled in classes at the University and will have clinical experiences in a variety of community sites. FPB faculty will identify the courses that meet the objectives for NURS 373. A focus of the experience will be on comparison of the health
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care delivery system of Ireland (National Health Service) and the U.S. system. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

**Website:** Galway: [http://www.nui.ie/](http://www.nui.ie/)
Dublin: [http://www.ucd.ie/](http://www.ucd.ie/)

**Intensive Courses:** August

**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Late-August to mid-December

**Housing:** Housing can be arranged through the respective universities. Students are responsible for arranging housing.

**Expenses:** Living expenses plus airfare about $1000

4. **Danish Institute for Study Abroad (DIS), Copenhagen, Denmark (6 students)**
This placement involves coursework related to public health practice and policy. The students will complete an epidemiology course and research study as their capstone project, they will also enroll in a course related to public health or health care delivery in Denmark. Students will also take classes in language, history, or culture. Courses include study tours to different areas of Denmark and neighboring countries. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

**Website:** [http://www.disabroad.org/](http://www.disabroad.org/)

**Intensive Courses:** May

**Estimated Start and End Dates:** August 15 to December 13

**Housing:** DIS offers a variety of housing options. Students will work with DIS to arrange housing.

**Expenses:** Living expenses plus airfare about $1000.

5. **Maastricht University, Maastricht, The Netherlands (4 students)**
Students will study European Public Health Policy and health systems in The Netherlands and Europe through the Center for European Studies. FPB faculty will select 2 of the courses the students must take in order to meet NURS 373 objectives. The student’s capstone project will focus on public health policy. Students will also take courses in language, history, or culture. Courses include study tours of the Netherlands and neighboring countries. GPA of 3.0 or greater required.

**Website:** [http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/show/id=1432552/langid=42](http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/web/show/id=1432552/langid=42)

**Intensive Courses:** May

**Start and End Dates:** August 15 to December 20

**Housing:** Student housing can be arranged through Maastricht University, housing is dorm style, with common kitchen and living spaces.

**Expenses:** Living expenses and airfare about $1000
6.  **Aposentillo, Nicaragua, Circle of Empowerment, Nancy Lund Clinic**
(3 students)
Students work with a nurse practitioner at the Nancy Lund Clinic in a rural community northwest of Chinadega. The clinic provides health care for the people of the area and also trains individuals to provide first aid and first responder care for remote communities. Students must be able to speak Spanish to go to this site. Students stay in the home of the nurse practitioner which was built to accommodate volunteers and students.
**Website:** [http://circleofempowerment.weebly.com/](http://circleofempowerment.weebly.com/)
**Intensive Courses:** August
**Estimated Start and End Dates:** Early October to mid-December
**Housing:** On site
**Expenses:** Living expenses plus airfare about $800

**PLEASE NOTE:**

While we make every effort to ensure that the information is accurate for each site, our partner organizations may make administrative or other changes that could impact or modify the information that we have provided. In today’s economy it is hard to predict exact costs. It is suggested that you personally research travel costs, if you will be traveling out of Cleveland. There is a degree of uncertainty when working with partner agencies that are not located within the Case/Cleveland community. Unforeseen circumstances at our partner organizations may affect their ability to host students. Therefore, the faculty reserves the right to cancel any designated clinical assignment, at anytime. We will do all we can to honor the requests, but some situations may be beyond our control. Should some unforeseen circumstance arise that would necessitate a change, all efforts will be made to notify the student(s) in a timely manner. If this should be the case the student(s) will be reassigned to another clinical site. **All related travel expenses are the responsibility of the student.**