

Study in Ecuador in January 2011

Cultural Considerations in Health and Wellness (NURS 415 – 901) a nursing elective course, will be offered for the first time in January 2011. This course is designed to increase the cultural sensitivity of nurses by introducing them to health and health promotion practices in Ecuador. Students will spend 2 weeks in Cuenca, the colonial Spanish city of 400,000 people nestled high in the Andes mountains and enjoying spring-like temperatures year round. During this experience students will study basic Spanish, visit an Incan garden and a local market that sells medicinal plants, attend presentations by the curandero, travel to Saraguro , and visit a local hospital, hospice and an orphanage. Through a partnership with the CEDEI elementary school the nursing students will assess learning needs then plan and deliver a class on a relevant health promotion topic. Cultural sensitivity is also enhanced by the home stay with an Ecuadorian family.

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