GLOBAL HEALTH INNOVATION AND MISSIONS

With Shelby Garner and Taryn McCoy

ABOUT THIS COURSE

Learn at Your Own Pace

Explore the intricate landscape of global health through an innovative lens, all while embracing a faith-based perspective. This self-paced, non-credit-bearing, online course is designed to journey through five modules, equipping learners with the knowledge and skills needed to address the challenges and complexities of global health, emphasizing the importance of cultural humility, ethical considerations and creative problem-solving. Join us on this expedition to cultivate creative thinking, compassionate action and proactive engagement in global health endeavors.

Here is a preview of each module:

MODULE ONE: CULTURE AND GLOBAL HEALTH

This module will cover specific instances of cultural practices, beliefs, and nuances in selected global regions, and strategize the application of cultural humility principles to ensure effective, respectful, and equitable health interventions in these contexts.

MODULE TWO: DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND HEALTH SYSTEMS AROUND THE WORLD

This module will explore content related to healthcare determinants. Over the course of this learning experience, you'll find that the root problem of many healthcare statistics is found within these healthcare determinants and that the creation of sustainable and successful interventions requires a deep awareness and intentional integration of these factors.

MODULE THREE: HUMAN RIGHTS AND ETHICAL CONCERNS ABOUT GLOBAL HEALTH

This module will delve into the complicated subject of medical research with human subjects, in particular as it relates to global health. Throughout this module, you will examine historical and present concerns for ethical violations in human research.

MODULE FOUR: CHRISTIAN MISSIONS AND BEST PRACTICES

This module will consider how various religious traditions interact with healthcare differently, how these behaviors may come into conflict with your personal beliefs, and the best strategies for navigating the intersection of faith and medicine.

MODULE FIVE: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO GLOBAL CHALLENGES

This module will explore the fascinating intersection of innovation, global health, and realworld problem-solving.

Course Format

Students will engage with a series of activities throughout each module to learn and apply content presented. These include interactive activities, case studies, video lectures, and reflective exercises.

Who You'll Meet



RN; PhD, Texas Woman's University; MSN, University of Phoenix; BSN, Texas Christian University



FNP-C; MSN, Vanderbilt University; MTS, Vanderbilt University; BSN, University of Illinois

Dr. Shelby Garner is the Director of Global Health Innovation at Belmont University and holds a faculty appointment as a Professor in the Inman College of Nursing. Dr. Garner's work supports Belmont's goal of radically championing life abundant for all people by establishing partnerships internationally that support humans flourishing in communities around the world. Currently, Dr. Garner and her team are working on healthcare projects in a variety of countries including India, Indonesia, Tanzania, and Israel, among others.

Taryn McCoy is the Coordinator for Global Health Innovation initiatives at Belmont. After years of nursing care across the U.S., she pursued global health work in Latin America, West Africa, and South America. After seeing a gap between healthcare interventions and patient cultures, she pursued a dual-degree program, where she achieved a Master's of Theological Studies degree alongside her Master's of Science in Nursing. After graduating as a Family Nurse Practitioner, she now works alongside global populations from a whole-person care model.

Program Details

The course culminates with an immersive opportunity to complete a health project with a global partner (in country or virtually), gaining valuable hands-on experience.

Program fee: \$500

Optional Immersive Global Trip: Price will be dependent upon location selected by the student. If the student selects not to travel, a virtual opportunity will be available.

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