

International Nursing Summer School

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Resumen

Today's increasingly globalised society is challenging healthcare systems and influencing professional practices, with demands on nurses and other healthcare professionals to deliver culturally competent care. Nursing education and research are highlighted as important factors towards reaching these goals, and there are growing calls to internationalise university Nursing degree programmes. One method of gaining knowledge, skills and experience with different cultures for nurses and nursing students is through an international immersion experience. It was in light of the aforesaid that the Nursing Summer School was created between the University Hospital of North Midlands and Keele University (both in the United Kingdom) and the University CEU Cardenal Herrera (Spain). Combining hospital-based clinical practice with academic and cultural activities and offers students an excellent opportunity to combine learning about nursing and clinical practice in Britain with immersion in British lifestyle and culture. The three-week intensive programme runs in July/August each year, after the conclusion of the academic term.

The Summer School was established to enable students to participate in a short but meaningful international experience and to develop understanding of some of the challenges and opportunities that confront the nursing profession currently from an international perspective.

Palabras clave

Nursing, Summer School, university, hospital practice, international.