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Delivery: 2-weeks, in-country

Course Description:
In order to successfully navigate an increasingly diverse society, cultural awareness and humility are essential. During this course you will explore health, healthcare and nursing in the context of another culture. Various learning opportunities are offered including field trips to healthcare facilities and cultural venues and join in or observe cultural and humanities activities. You will also share in discussions with and deliver presentations to TCUST students and faculty.

Course Objectives:
1. Compare and contrast nursing education in Taiwan and the US.
2. Compare and contrast nursing practice in Taiwan and the US.
3. Compare and contrast Western and Traditional Chinese Medicine philosophy.
5. Integrate and apply cultural awareness and humility to personal and professional practice.

Course Requirements
Transcultural Health and Humanities is an intensive immersion into another culture. Students are expected to complete reading assignments and be prepared to discuss content during class time as well as engage in a variety of learning activities. Each student is responsible for participating in the discussions in a scholarly and timely manner. Assignments will be completed before returning from the in-country experience.

Course Content:
1. Transcultural Health
   a. Nursing Education in Taiwan
   b. Taiwan Health / Nursing Care Delivery System / Tour of Tzu Chi Hospital & Mennonite Shoufeng Hospital
   c. Transcultural Nursing: Discussion with TCUST Students
   d. Silent Mentor Program
   e. TCM Philosophy
   f. Crowning Ceremony: Presentation
   g. Nursing and healthcare in the US: Presentation to TCUST Nursing Students
   h. Teach English Medical Terminology to TCUST Nursing Students
2. Humanities
   a. Taiwan Overview
   b. Tzu Chi Humanities
   c. Flower Assembly
   d. Tea Ceremony
e. Chinese Calligraphy
f. Taiko Drum
g. Tour: Jing Si Abode
h. Tour: Jing Si Hall
i. Gallery of TCUST History
j. TCUST Aboriginal Museum

Grades and Grading

Final grades for the course will be determined based upon the following point assignments:
A - 90-100
B - 80-89
C - 70-79
D - 60-69
F - Below 60

The work performed for this course is weighted as follows:

**Engagement**

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<td>Level of participation during in-country activities including Crowning Ceremony, class discussion and presentations</td>
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