Flanders tour

International Nursing – Midwifery Education Programme
On Diversity And Unity

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Context

This programme was developed by the following members of the K.U.Leuven Association:
• HUB (Hogeschool-Universiteit Brussel)
• Katholieke Hogeschool Limburg
• Katholieke Hogeschool Kempen
• Katholieke Hogeschool Brugge-Oostende
• Katholieke Hogeschool Sint Lieven
• Katholieke Hogeschool Zuid-West Vlaanderen
• Katholieke Hogeschool Leuven
• Lessius Mechelen

As an initial point a total view of the Professional Bachelor in Nursing and the Professional Bachelor in Midwifery is given, whereas the topic of the programme is named after Diversity and Unity. By using this topic we intend to clarify specifically the professional as well as the personal identity not only through the confrontation with other identities but also by the complex reality of “globalisation” in view.

Within the context of internationalisation this programme intends:
• to bring an attractive offer for the international (exchanged) students as well as for our regular students,
• to involve lectures as well as students in the dynamic process of internationalisation,
• to contribute constructively at the promotion of the “teaching mobility”,
• to shape the “internationalisation at home”.

This programme especially deepens the educational part. In that way it is linked to other parts of the educational programme in Professional Bachelor of Nursing and Midwifery. The programme intends:
• to deepen and explore the cultural sensitivity,
• to deepen and explore earlier acquired knowledge, insight, skills, attitudes and competences,
• to anticipate on knowledge, insight, skills, attitudes and competences in order to state them explicitly further on,
• to exercise and to practice the “transfer process”,
• to form many, various attitudes: e.g. open mindedness; tolerance; critical thinking,
• to practice many, various skills: e.g. communication; teamwork; organising a meeting.

Knowledge takes no place in our luggage back home. It actually brings us the experience from all around the world!
Sonia, Portugal

The international module is a very good experience because it gives you the opportunity to meet other countries, cultures, persons and social life...
Marvic, Malta

I liked this international module because I know different people in Europe and I learned a lot.
Liliane, Portugal

It’s a unique chance to meet a lot of friends from Europe and to share the experience in nursing. You must do it!
Raffael, Italy

This was an unique experience. An opportunity to meet people of different countries with different cultures and backgrounds. It is also an opportunity to learn a lot about different aspects of health care.
Simone, Italy

This is once in a lifetime experience. Just go for it and you won’t regret it.
Henna, Finland

With this, you will have friends in almost every corner of the world.
Ana, Portugal

I think this is one thing which I am going to remember rest of my life. Hoping to have lifetime friends.
Maarit, Finland
Content

The programme consists of nine themes. Each of those themes is offered at different places in Flanders and will be given in English. That way foreign students from several countries are making a tour in Flanders in order to familiarize with Flanders as well as to follow the whole programme. The entire program consist of three credits. To obtain the three credits you have to follow two out of three weeks.

Overview of the themes

• Structure and organization of health care in Flanders/Belgium
• The child in different care environments
• Mental health care: dealing with psychological dysfunctions
• A multicultural approach of health and illness
• Health care in Brussels
• Pain, whose problem is it?
• Palliative care
• Diversity and Unity
• Sexuality in care

Methods

• Lectures
• Discussion groups
• Joint projects
• Educational visits
• Case-base studies
• Role-playing techniques

Assessment

If the student wants to achieve the three credits, the students has to fulfil a task. It is the task of the student to write a paper which consists of a critical reflection starting from their practical experiences. Their reflection topic as a choice is an option, off course. The student offers the task to the departmental coordinator, who is responsible for the evaluation.

Organization

WEEK 11: THE WESTERN PART OF FLANDERS:
March 12 & 13: Katho Kortrijk
Introduction to Belgium (march 12)
Structure and organisation of Health Care in Flanders/Belgium
March 14 & 15: KHBO Brugge
The child in different care environments
March 16: Kaho, Sint-Lieven Sint-Niklaas
Mental health care: dealing with psychological dysfunctions

WEEK 12: CENTRAL PART OF FLANDERS
March 19: Lessius Mechelen
A multicultural approach of health and illness
March 20 & 21: HUB Brussels
Health care in Brussels
March 22 & 23 KHleuven Leuven
Pain, whose problem is it?

WEEK 13: EASTERN PART OF FLANDERS
March 26 & 27 KHlim Hasselt
Palliative care
March 28 & 29
Diversity and Unity
K.H.Kempen Turnhout
March 30 K.H.Kempen Lier
Sexuality in care

Where do you sleep?
March 12 & 13:Kortrijk
March 14: Brugge
March 15: Sint-Niklaas
March 19 & 20: Brussels
March 21 & 22: Leuven
March 26: Hasselt
March 27, 28 & 29 Turnhout
Costs

- Transport and catering costs not included, basic shared accommodation included.
  Costs will be kept as low as possible.
- Lectures are free of charge.

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Registration

Registration is possible by contacting the departmental international coordinator of each host department.

The cost of organisation and onenight accommodation is included (not refundable) and is charged at 100 euro per week (transport and catering is not included).
All lecture material (courses, …) is free of charge.
Payment at arrival at the host department.