

**THE INDIAN EXPERIENCE - 2024**
COIMBATORE, TAMILNADU – INDIA
Hosted by PSG College of Nursing, Coimbatore.
8th January to 28th January 2024

Theme: “Cultural heritage – a driving force for sustainable developmental goals”

PARTNERING INSTITUTIONS

- 1. Haute Ecole de Sante Vaud (HESAV), Switzerland**
 - 2. Haute Ecole de Sante La Source (HedS – la Sources), Switzerland**
 - 3. PSG College of Nursing, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, India**
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Indian Experience – 2024 An Overview

The Summer University is a unique concept initiated by the department of Higher Education, State of Vaud, Switzerland with an idea to promote International and Intercultural Exchange among students and faculty, we welcome the faculty and students from Switzerland to gain Indian Experience hosted by the PSG College of Nursing, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, South India

“**Cultural heritage – a driving force for sustainable developmental goals**” is an effective concept to discuss and experience during this visit. In September 2015, the General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development that includes 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Building on the principle of “leaving no one behind”, the new Agenda emphasizes a holistic approach in achieving sustainable development for all. For this development Culture plays a vital role to attain SDG.

Culture-led development also includes a range of non-monetized benefits, such as greater social inclusiveness and rootedness, resilience, innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship for individuals and communities, and the use of local resources, skills, and knowledge. Respecting and supporting cultural expressions contribute to strengthening the social capital of a community and fosters trust in public institutions. Cultural factors also influence lifestyles, individual behavior, consumption patterns, values related to environmental stewardship, and our interaction with the natural environment. Local and indigenous knowledge systems and environmental management practices provide valuable insight and tools for tackling ecological challenges, preventing biodiversity loss, reducing land degradation, and mitigating the effects of climate change.

Culture is often described as the combination of a body of Knowledge, body of belief, and a body of behavior. The concept of cultural respect has a positive effect on patient care delivery by enabling providers to deliver services.

Acknowledging and promoting respect for cultural diversity within a human right based approach, moreover, can facilitate intercultural dialogue, prevent conflicts and protect the

rights of marginalized groups, within and between nations, thus creating optimal conditions for achieving development goals.

Hence as Health care professionals, we nurses play a vital role in providing universal and quality healthcare to public. It is in need of the hour of the nurses to empower themselves to work as an independent practitioner and as a collaborative professional toward the common goal of quality health standards for the whole Nation.

The Aim of Indian experience (USP of the program) 2024 is to

- ✚ Gain an insight into the health care delivery system by the government of India towards global health issues
- ✚ Explore and enrich skills of the delivering the health care by visiting various health care organizations
- ✚ Enforce the nursing experience through observing the hospital and community based activities for the welfare of the people
- ✚ Appreciate the values, beliefs and cultural practices towards globally challenging health issues

Outline of proposed activities

We have planned to enrich Indian experience through

- ✚ Mock group discussions, panel discussion and seminar presentation by students,
- ✚ Clinical, Community experience and field visit.
- ✚ The cultural exchange will be enriched by witnessing the art and festivals of south India.
- ✚ Students will also get an opportunity to visit historical places.

To participate in the Exchange Programme

Step 1: Fill out the Application form for enrolment in the programme. Scan and send the forms by email to principal@psgnursing.ac.in

Step: 2: Apply for your Indian Visa

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