March 2019, School of Nursing (SON) faculty will lead a study abroad primary care practicum in Antigua and San Martin, Guatemala. Students who participate in this study abroad practicum will receive 60 clinical hours credited toward the course they are enrolled in Spring 2019. These courses are as follows: FNP N7505 & N7507, ANP/GNP N7505 & N7406, PNP N6921 & N7925. The course is limited to 14 students. Interested Student Applications are due by October 12, 2018. Specialty Coordinator permission is required to be considered eligible.

Course Description:
Seven day health immersion course in village and urban settings based in the historic city of Antigua, Guatemala. Students will experience primary healthcare in the context of environment, race, culture and policy. Primary health care experiences will focus on service learning opportunities to promote health and healing in collaboration with local communities. Activities include, but are not limited to:

- Providing primary care in collaboration with Guatemalan health practitioners
- Screening for cervical cancer and completing health assessments
- Learning about health delivery systems in Guatemala
- Gaining an appreciation for the sociocultural determinants of health for people living in Guatemala
- Learning about issues in global health and providing care in low resource areas
- Interacting with native women to learn about their social, economic and parenting issues
- Engaging with Guatemalan nursing students

The practicum includes 2 pre-trip campus meetings, 2 days of travel time, 8 days and 7 nights in Guatemala.

School of Nursing Faculty:
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Estimated cost per student:
SON administrative course fee of $400, International Travel insurance $17.50 (required by UMN) and the program fee $1200.00 which includes all lodging with shared rooms, all meals except one, transportation, lectures, and translators. Other costs include airfare (current pricing varies $1000-1285), and remaining meals.

Student Eligibility:
Students must be in good academic standing, have permission documented from their program Specialty Coordinator and a US passport valid for at least six months beyond the end date of travel. Dress and conduct code will comply with UMN & SON Student Handbook and host country standards.

Application Deadline: Friday, October 12, 2018. Upon acceptance, $550 is due with full balance by November 9, 2018.