

# Global Health Practicum NRSG 439



# Our Stories

A scenic landscape photograph. In the foreground, a large, gnarled tree with dense green foliage stands on a dirt path. The middle ground features a calm river or stream flowing through a valley. The background is a misty, forested hillside under a bright, overcast sky. The text "Our Stories" is overlaid in the top right corner, underlined.



*We take a bottom-up approach*

*We see strengths as well as challenges*

*We do not go to a developing country to "fix" that country.*

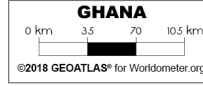
*We go so we are changed and we see the world in our changed way*

*This will help us to work with challenges anywhere in the world and hopefully make a difference while we're there*

# Ghana



- National Capital (1,900,000 in 99)
- over 400,000
- over 150,000
- over 50,000
- other main city
- other city
- Chief town of region



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# We have a long history...

## 23 years in Ghana

- Partnership with University for Development Studies
- Dr. Vida Yakong
- Project GROW
- Community Based Development projects

## 13 years in Zambia

- Working in Mongu
- Hospital and community initiatives



# The Cost...

- There are 2 components – The Program Fee, and your individual expenses (see table below)
- The program fee will be between \$3000-\$4000. It is broken up into a series of payments
- Individual expenses are paid as they arise. Some is paid prior to departure, some is paid throughout the practicum. You will need to have money available throughout practicum.
- The final program fee depends on the number of students in the program
- **We're estimating the total cost for you will be between \$6000-\$7000**
- **This is similar to previous years**
- **This is offset by the \$1000 GoGlobal Award (students only)**
- You will still have to pay tuition – you would pay this regardless.

Included in program fee	Not included in program fee
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Accommodations</li><li>• On-site group transportation</li><li>• Entrance fees</li><li>• Guest lectures</li><li>• Go Global Fee</li><li>• Teacher expenses – (not salary)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flight - \$2500 (Ghana) - \$3500 (Zambia)</li><li>• Meals - \$500</li><li>• Health or travel insurance - \$200</li><li>• Immunizations - \$250- \$500</li><li>• Visas (\$100)</li><li>• Personal spending money for communications, snacks, souvenirs, etc. - \$300-\$500</li><li>• Some in country travel costs (taxis etc)</li><li>• Extracurricular travel and accommodation costs</li></ul>

# The Impact...

- *"It's changed my life...who I am....how I walk in the world... and what's important to me."*

*"This is the hardest thing I've ever done....and had the most meaning."*

*"I'm a better nurse because of it..."*

Recognize what we take for granted....





Understand  
suffering in a  
new way



And  
understand  
JOY in a new  
way



# Recognize the power of relationships



# Work on community development projects



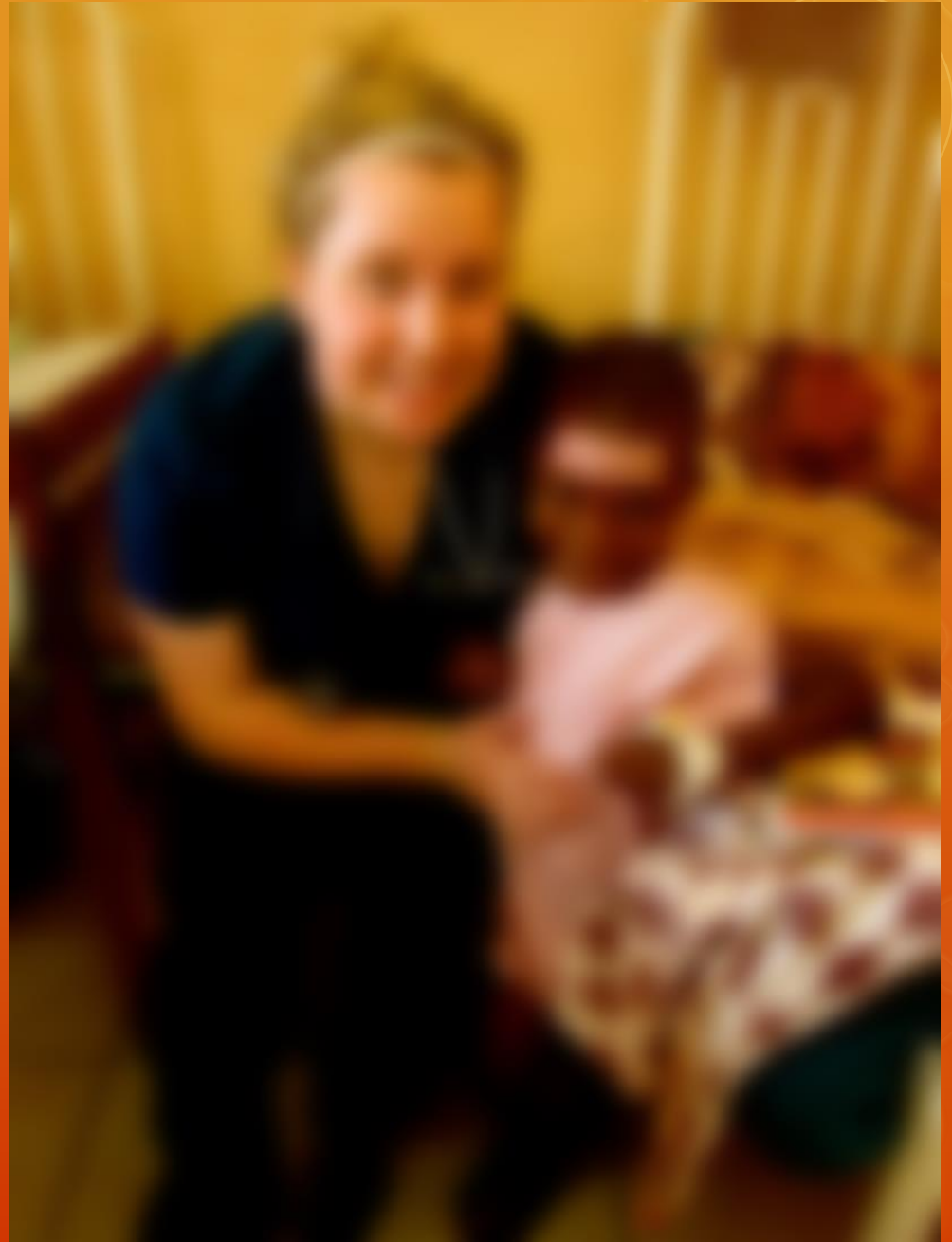
# Be an advocate





Support women in gaining their voice  
and power

Experience the  
change that  
transforms and  
promotes  
understanding



Recognize  
expertise and  
strengths of  
the people

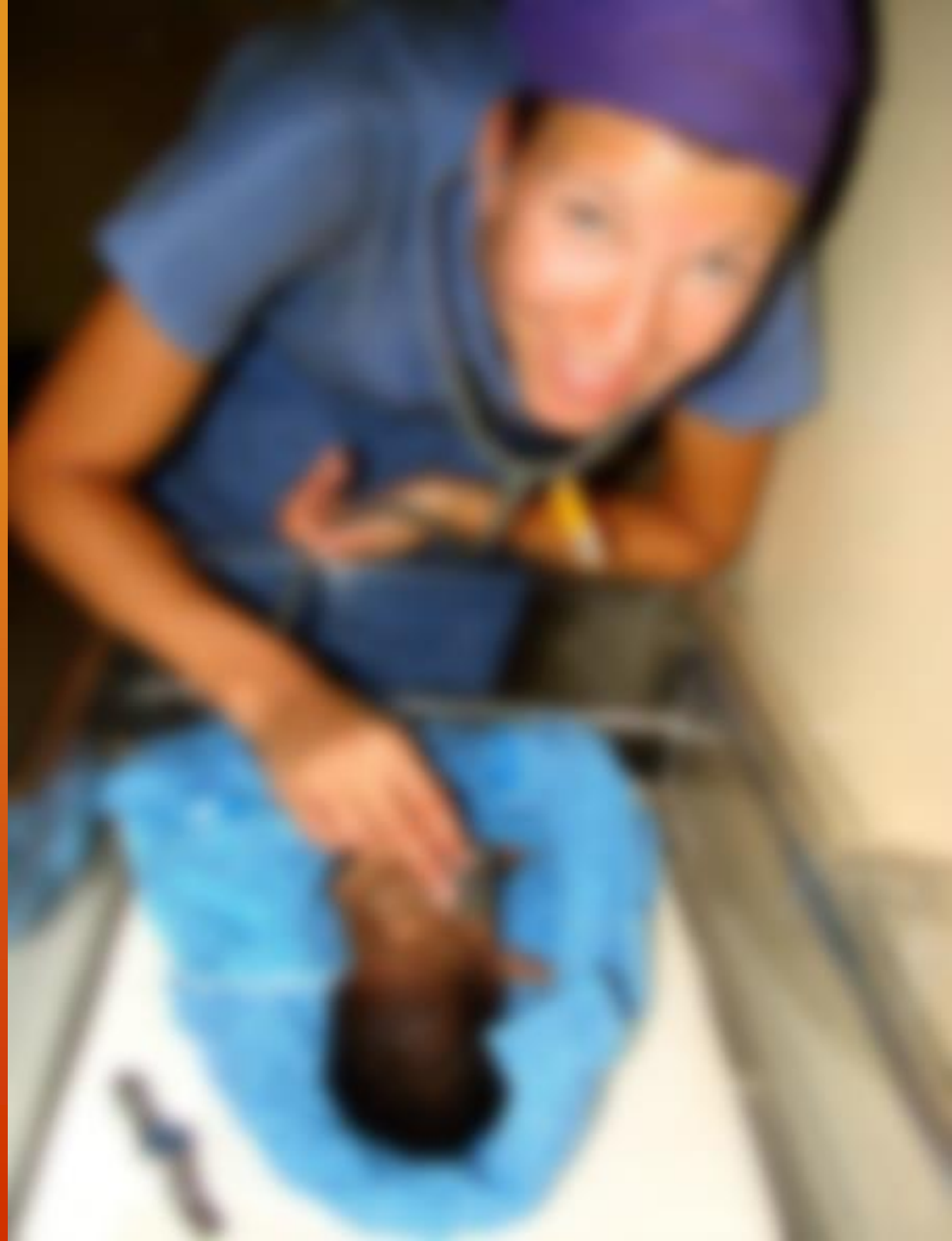




# Teach and Learn With Each Other

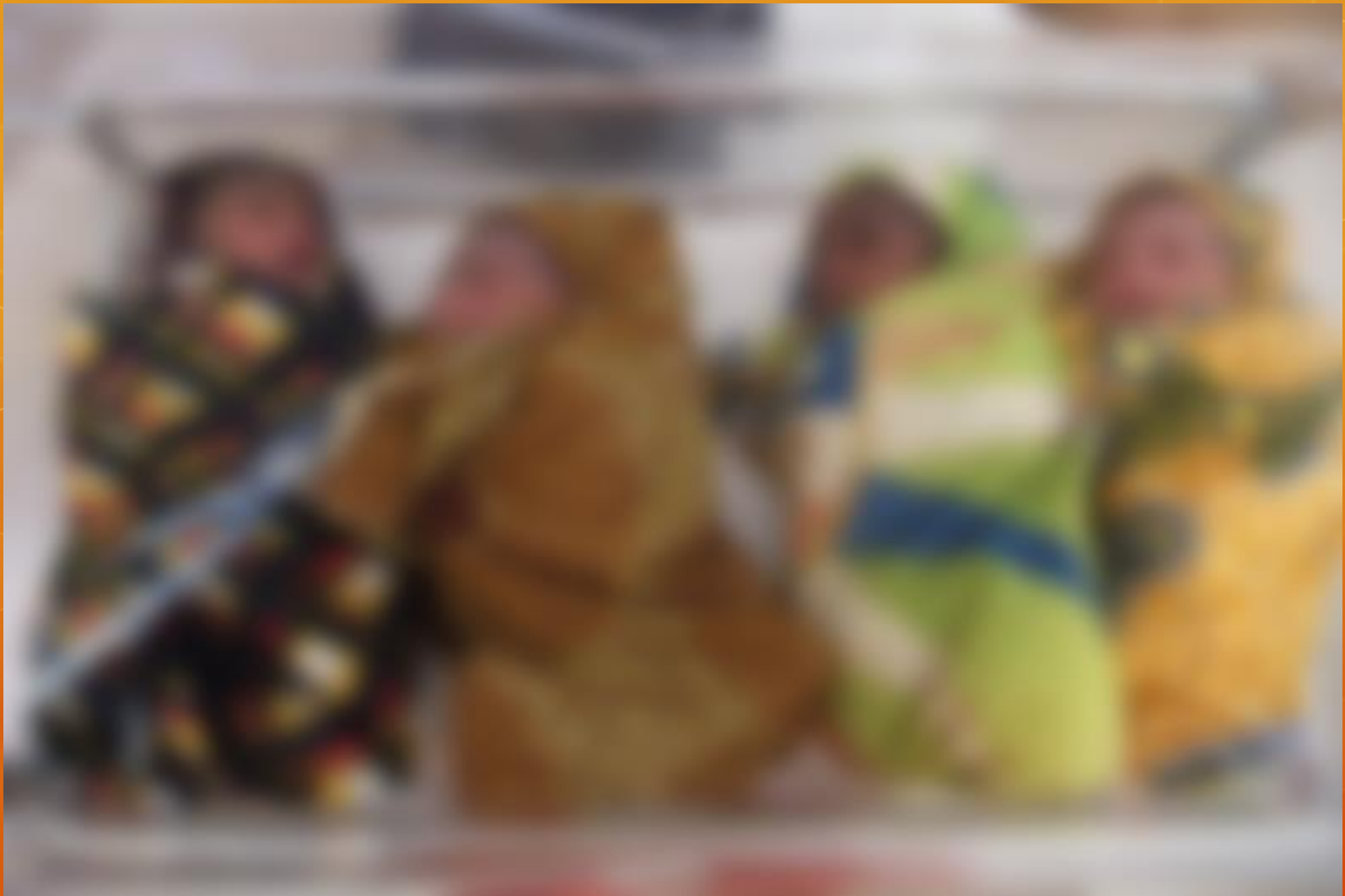


See the frailty of life



# And the resilience...





Gain new understanding of health systems....  
and critically reflect on our own...

# Apply Global Health Knowledge





Critically Question the Inequities

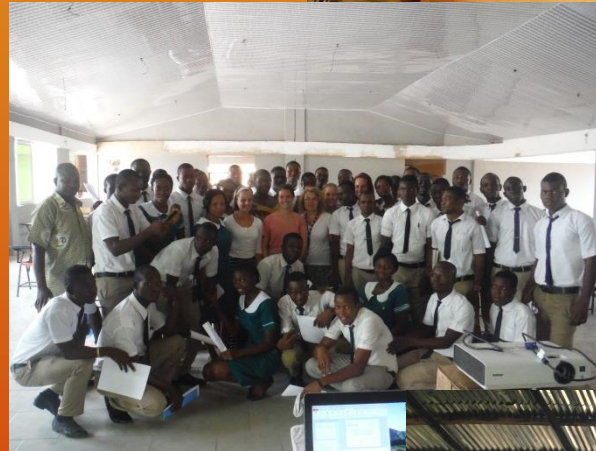


Provide Resources to Reduce the Inequities

# What we do....

## Whatever they ask...

- Rural and remote community health clinics
- Work in the hospital
- Teaching presentations to nursing students
- Health promotion education in schools
- Community development projects
- Cultural experiences





# Can I book my own flight???

- There's a reason we work with Connie (our travel agent)....this is non-negotiable....
- We travel together for safety
- We were there in March 2020 and had to come home. We could not have managed this without her.

# Does this interest you?

## **Eligibility and prerequisites**

- Students in good academic standing that have successfully completed your med/surg preceptorship (N431)
- Been involved in Global Health programs or initiatives as a volunteer / advocate / employee e.g. Global Gala
- GPA above 72%
- Satisfactory in all domains of practice appraisal forms
- Exemplary clinical practice attendance
- No records of Unprofessional Conduct
- Proof of current CPR

# What if I have a “U”?

- If you have had a “u”, we are still interested in hearing from you
- Tell us about it and what learning you have done that addresses the issue
- Remember that we look at your file so we will know that it is there – better for you to address it than us asking you why you didn’t speak to it in your application

# Alumni Practicum....

- You will register in NRSG 439 as an unclassified student. If you've already received credit in NRSG 439, we will find another option.
- You'll pay tuition.
- You must have taken either Advanced Community Health or Advanced Global Health while in program
- You'll participate in the entire practicum – there are no shortened versions (remember what you learned about voluntourism)
- You will join our Global Health prep seminars the week before we leave
- You will be expected to maintain the same Code of Conduct as the BSN students. This is NOT a vacation!
- Your practicum will look very similar to the BSN students and we're exploring opportunities for you to do some teaching and community development projects with RNs in practice.
- As always, we're waiting to hear what our partners would find most helpful.

# Next Steps.....

- If you are interested in this practicum, complete the application through the link: <https://students.ok.ubc.ca/global-engagement-office/go-global/outbound-short-term-programs/global-seminars/ghp/>
- **Application deadline is October 16<sup>th</sup> 2023**
- For alumni, we are working out the process for you to register in the program. The fee structure for you is the same.