Expand your horizon and open your career options. The Minority Health International Research Training Program (MHIRT) at FIU’s College of Nursing and Health Sciences involves you actively in international research in chronic illness. Throughout your studies, you will be guided by talented FIU nursing faculty of diverse cultural backgrounds. You will study abroad for one semester and conduct research with nursing faculty in Germany, London, Italy, Thailand or Latin America. The MHIRT program is designed to provide the knowledge and skills needed for solutions to health disparity in our community. You will be able to make a difference in the health of South Florida.

MHIRT Fellows Selected from:

**BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS:**
- Generic BSN
- MD (foreign) to BSN, RN to BSN

MHIRT Fellows Selected from:

**GRADUATE PROGRAMS:**
- Adult Health Practitioner
- Family Health Practitioner
- Child Health Practitioner
- Nurse Administration
- Anesthesiology Nursing
- PhD in NURSING; BSN -PhD PROGRAM
- Graduate Health Programs: PT, OT, Comm Sciences/Disorders, Health Sciences - UG

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**Request for Information**

If you need more information concerning the Minority Health International Research Training Program (MHIRT), please return the completed form to:

Attn: Dr. Kathryn Hoehn Anderson (305-348-7708) or Dr. Marie-Luise Friedemann (305-348-7719)
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You can Fax this request to:
(305) 348-7765

Please send information about:

- Minority Health International Research Training Program

I am interested in chronic illness research:

- Area of Research Interest in Chronic Illness and Health Disparities

My level of study is:

- Undergraduate Nursing Student
- Graduate Nursing Student
- Doctoral Nursing Student
- Graduate/Undergrad Health Sciences Student

Name: __________________________________
Address: __________________________________
City: ________ State: ______ Zip: ______
Phone: (___) ______ Fax: (___) ______
Email: __________________________________

The semester I desire to travel is:

- Fall Semester
- Spring Semester
- Summer Semester

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Undergraduate and Graduate minority nursing students will be involved in clinical research about disparities in the care of patients & families with chronic illness in the USA, EU, Thailand, and Latin America. They will develop research skills by participating in research planning; collecting data, managing and analyzing data; interpreting results; and disseminating research findings. MHIRT fellows work directly with faculty mentors, focusing special attention on research ethics and research team roles. Integral to the MHIRT program, each fellow will design an individually tailored research career. One semester of international study is included.

### International and Global Perspective
- **International research education** for undergraduate, masters’ and Ph.D. nursing and health science students
- Understanding of how **cultural and ethnic diversity** impacts patient and family care and research in S. Florida
- Study and participation in health care research focused on **health disparities in diverse ethnicities**
- Mentored research experience at home and in **Germany, London, Latin American, Thailand, or Italy** by nursing and health research faculty mentors

### International Study
- Eligible minority students apply to study **one semester abroad** at a partner university. Study abroad is full-time
- MHIRT fellows participate in observational and research experiences at host university abroad guided by **nursing faculty mentors**
- Financial support for the international research experience includes **paid tuition** (up to $1800), **travel to and from Europe**, stipend, housing, and reimbursement of select research expenses

### Applied Research Courses
- **Undergraduate Research Elective**
  NUR 4665 Introduction to International Research
- **Graduate Research Elective**
  NGR 5832 Applied International Research
  - Cultural Immersion Online
  - Research Practica Abroad

### Mentoring in Research
- Individual mentoring by project leaders, nursing research faculty at FIU, and international nursing scholars

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**Applied Research Course (3 credits)**
(Semester following research course required in degree program)

- **FIU Research Faculty Mentor**
  (Opportunity to participate in faculty nursing research)
- **Ongoing Research Support Group**
  (Monthly Research meetings and social interaction)
- **Health Research Semester in Europe**
  (Work directly with international nursing leaders)
  (Specialization in health disparities in chronic illness)

**FIU Program Faculty**
- Dr. Kathryn Hoehn Anderson, Program Director
  Dr. Marie Luise Friedemann, Project Coordinator
- Private University of Witten-Herdecke
  Witten, Germany; Dr. Elke Donath
- Bielefeld University
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  Bogotá, Colombia; Dr. Pilar Amaya-Rey
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  Khon Kaen, Thailand; Dr. Siriporn Chirwatkul