



OHSU SON Study Abroad in Thailand Winter 2019

Who: SON seniors on the **Klamath Falls, La Grande, Portland and Monmouth and RNBS** campuses who are planning to take *NRS424 Integrative Practicum* winter term 2019 are eligible to apply. Eight (8) students will be selected (and one alternate) for the program. This will be our third faculty-led SON cohort in Thailand.

- Mahidol University is a multi-disciplinary and research-led institution with key competencies in the arts, medicine and science. Given this expertise, Mahidol University is a leading center of knowledge and understanding, rooted in its determination statement of being the "Wisdom of the Land". For this international service earning experience nursing students will be hosted by Mahidol University – Faculty of Nursing, which is the oldest and largest nursing school in Thailand. Experiences will mainly focus on health care delivery system, family, and community nursing care in Bangkok, the 25th largest city in the world with a population of 8.5 million people.

What: International Service Learning is a for credit course-based experience that involves meaningful service in partnership with community partners. Students will receive faculty-supervised clinical hours at sites in Bangkok and rural communities. These hours will fulfill the clinical placement hours in the NRS 424 course. Students will participate in online forums and other course activities throughout the term.

When: February 16-March 15, 2019 (not including travel and orientation days)

Where: Students will stay in student housing on the campus of Mahidol University and complete clinical hours in and around Bangkok.

Why:

- OHSU has developed a comprehensive collaboration with Bangkok Hospital and its academic partners in SE Asia. The OHSU School of Nursing is partnering with Mahidol University School of Nursing in Bangkok, and developing opportunities for students and faculty across programs and campuses.
- Health disparities are widespread in the US and worldwide. In the US, disparities in care are associated with higher mortality among minorities. It is imperative that health care providers

and systems provide culturally competent care. Students can develop their skills in working with different cultures through international service learning.

- A global perspective on health care is increasingly viewed as an essential competency for health care professionals. The experience provides a foundation for students interested in participating in international health care following graduation.

How: Apply by **October 8, 2018** for winter term 2019. Email SONglobal@ohsu.edu for application packet or for more information. Send completed applications as per the instructions in the packet.

Cost: The 4 week itinerary is estimated at \$2800 (depending upon airfare at booking) plus regular course tuition and fees. Financial aid is available to cover most expenses, if eligible. Costs Include:

- Airfare to/from Bangkok
- Country entry fee
- Airport transfer
- Lodging
- Meals
- Two uniforms (polos)
- Local transportation
- Internet and phone access
- Program administrative fees



SON Cohort 2018



Mahidol University Nursing Students



SON Cohort 2016