

**Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University  
Tentative Transcultural Trip Information-Summer 2012**

**The Children's Wellness Center, Austin, Texas =1 week option (Arrive Sunday, 5/13/12-Leave Saturday, 5/19/12)**

- Fly into Austin, Texas
- Share cost of rental van between all participants
- Hotel info (La Quinta Inn=share room with 2-3 other students/approx. cost \$300 per person for the week) Room includes breakfast buffet; hotel has workout room and outdoor pool
- Clinical at The Children's Wellness Center in Del Valley-one of the poorest areas in Texas. Work 5 days in clinic (8-5pm)
- Airfare approx. \$250-325
- Student responsible for own food costs and extra spending money
- During free time: outlet mall shopping, visit UT campus, downtown Austin or San Antonio

*Texas cost (estimated):*                    \$325 (airfare)  
    \$200 (food @\$25/dayx8)  
    \$300 (housing at 3-4 people/room)  
    \$100 (van rental cost shared)  
    \$400 (administrative fees-MCN)  
    \$949.20 (3 credit hr and fees)

*Total=*                                        **\$2274.20** (does not include spending money or changes that may occur based on economy)

**Frontier Nursing School, Kentucky=1 week option (Arrive Sunday, 5/13/12-Leave Saturday, 5/19/12)**

- Transportation (you may either fly or drive to this location)-if you fly, you will fly into Lexington, KY. If you drive, it is approx. a 7 hour drive. It is helpful to have a car to get around in after arriving there.
- You will primarily work in 2 different clinics and 1 hospital. You will work 5 days that week.
- Your host (Linda Aherns, FNP) will assist in transporting you from the school to the clinics.
- Housing-Hagan Dorm (nice, 3-story building with full kitchen, living room, and bedrooms). There is a library on site with internet connection. Dorm located on the mountain behind the school.
- Food-Often breakfast and dinner are included in the cost of the dorm housing. There is a Wal-Mart about 15 minutes away for snacks,...
- During free time-you can go walking, rent movies or attend the theater, sightsee.

*Kentucky cost (estimate):*            \$250 (airfare) (or \$ 100 gas costs divided/person)  
    \$240 (housing-40/dayx6)  
    \$ 50 (food during traveling and lunches)  
    \$400 (Administrative fees-MCN)  
    \$949.20(3 credit hr & fees)

*Total=*                                        **\$1889.20** (cost would be less if you drove and split cost with peers)

**Vladimir, Russia=2 week option (Sunday, 5/13/12-Leave Saturday, 5/26/12)**

- Tickets will be arranged to coincide with your accompanying faculty member's flight times, faculty member will also assist you in securing your traveling VISA to enter Russia
- Transportation once in Moscow will be provided by our hosts from the Vladimir Medical College
- Time there will include hospital and clinic tours, clinical time with Russian student nurses and nurses, and cultural site tours
- You will stay with a host family who may know little or no English

<i>Russia Cost (estimate):</i>	\$900-1200 (flight direct from Chicago to Vladimir)
	\$ 200 (housing-estimated)
	\$ 100 (tentative extra food costs)
	\$ 30 (estimated gift cost for host family)
	\$ 500 (Administrative fees-MCN)
	\$369 (ISO fee=\$150; Admin. Fee=\$100; passport=\$97; International Student ID Card=\$22)
	\$140 (VISA cost & letter of invitation fee)
	<u>\$632.80 (2 credit hr &amp; fees)</u>
<i>Total=</i>	<b>\$2871.80</b> (not including exchange rate variances, spending money, or \$126-Insurance in summer-if needed, this cost is calculated using the \$900 airline ticket estimate)

**\*\*In order to participate in a Transcultural Nursing Elective, as arranged by the Mennonite College of Nursing Coordinator of Transcultural Nursing Initiatives, all students must adhere to the following guidelines:**

1. To apply for a transcultural nursing trip, students must have successfully completed a minimum of 16 hrs at MCN or from another nursing school from which he or she has been approved for having successfully completed transfer nursing credits. If a student has failed any course during the semester prior to participation in the designated Nursing experience, he or she will need to schedule an appointment with the Coordinator to discuss whether or not the student will still be eligible for travel. Please note that transcultural trips are competitive, and in the event that student interest in the transcultural trips exceeds the number of transcultural sites, GPA will be one of the determining factors in student selection.
2. Students must submit a Transcultural Nursing Application to the Coordinator (Dr. Karrie Ingalsbe) by the due date.
3. Students will agree to participate in the August Transcultural Nursing Orientation for 1 hour during "Orientation Day" with the purpose of introducing the Transcultural Nursing Elective Option to the incoming MCN students.
4. Students will be required to include a deposit with their application or the application will not be accepted.
5. Students will register for either N312 (Domestic trip) or NUR 313 (International trip) after the appropriate override has been given, and they will complete all assigned coursework/orientations associated with this 3 credit hour course.