Programme content

GNLI 2019 comprises three modules completed over five months. It will focus on the nursing role in helping to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, in particular the following three themes:

1. Universal health coverage and health as a human right (Goal 3).
2. The primary health care approach (Goal 3).
3. Gender equality (Goal 5).

Module 1: Induction (1 July – 12 September 2019)

During this module scholars are introduced to their GNLI facilitators and each other. They will assess their policy leadership competencies, set their individual GNLI goals, review their competencies, and identify and work with a mentor. They will also undertake preparatory study and other activities, to be completed by specified deadlines, some requiring submission of assignments.

Module 2: Residential workshop (13-20 September 2019)

This takes place at a conference centre in Geneva, Switzerland. It uses stimulating and supportive action learning methods to increase scholars' confidence and competence in framing issues, analysing policy contexts and processes, and building coalitions in and outside healthcare. It includes discussions of the policy process and its political context, strategies for evidence-based policy change, the role of nurses in leading global policy, and effective communication. In-depth exploration of the work of ICN, the World Health Organization and other global players includes site visits and conversations with leaders. Participants reflect on strategies for policy change in their own countries and discuss regional opportunities for collaboration.
Module 3: Implementation (21 September to 30 November 2019)

In Module 3 scholars will tackle their individual development plans identified during Module 2, continuing their work with in-country mentors. They also will build on the networking opportunities and ongoing relationships with other scholars, including assignments by intercountry teams to address policy issues related to improving population health and developing the nursing profession. They may also participate in formative and summative evaluations of each module and the overall programme.

Expected programme outcomes

GNLI 2019 aims to help scholars strengthen their policy competencies in the following areas:

- How to influence policy.
- How to identify, understand and work with stakeholders within and beyond the nursing profession, and negotiate with policy stakeholders including government officials, international and nongovernmental organizations.
- How to review and frame the evidence base within local, national and international political, health and social care contexts.
- How to create and communicate clear policy messages that appeal to politicians, policy-makers and the public.

Education credits

International Continuing Education Credits (ICNECs) have been granted for GNLI 2019.