USM Winter Session 2016-2017
Dominican Republic Program Application

Deadline for NUR 327 Students: March 18, 2016
Deadline for all other students: July 15, 2016
(Applications submitted after the deadline will be considered on a space-available basis)

**Personal Information**
Name (exactly as it appears on your passport): ____________________________________________________
Print clearly! All subsequent corrections or changes to your name may result in a $150 change fee.
MaineStreet Student ID Number: ____________________________ Date of Birth: __________
Permanent Address: ____________________________
Current Address (if different): ____________________________
Phone: ____________________________
Cell Phone: ____________________________
Preferred Phone (circle one): home  school  cell
E-mail: __________________________________________________________

**Academic Information**
Current Institution (if other than USM): __________________________________________________________
Academic Major ____________________________ G.P.A. __________

*Indicate the course you would like to take in the Dominican Republic:

**Undergraduate Nursing**
- NUR 327 DR Community Nursing Partnership II 3 Cr.
- NUR 419 Community Nursing Partnership for RN in the DR 2 Cr.
- NUR 428 Child Health Nursing Lab 2 Cr.
- NUR 437 Community Nursing Partnership for Accelerated BS Students 3 Cr.
- NUR/CON 495 Dominican Republic: Directed Study Var. Cr.

**Graduate Nursing**
- NUR 538 Community Nursing Partnership for Option Students 2 Cr.
- NUR/CON 595 DR: Directed Study Var. Cr.

**Spanish and Athletic Training Students**
- SPA 399 Spanish Language in the DR 3 Cr.
- SPM 499 Athletic Training Service Learning in the DR 3 Cr.

*Please indicate your Spanish proficiency (check all that apply)*
- None
- Oral fluency
- Native Speaker
- Some
- Can interpret
- Written fluency

**Medical and Vaccine Information**
You will need to provide documentation of vaccinations for TD, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, MMR, Typhoid, Polio, and a PPD test for TB. This is not required for a completed application, but must be provided to the Office of International Program before departure.
Agreements and Releases

I, _____________________________ (print your name), permit USM International Programs to obtain for the purposes of this application, any and all education and student conduct records at USM or any other institution which I’ve attended on a full-time basis. I understand that, once accepted into the program, my $200 deposit will not be refunded if I withdraw from the program for any reason. I also understand that USM reserves the right to cancel this program due to low enrollment, changing political or economic factors, unusual circumstances, or any other event which would dramatically impact the nature of the course or the ability of the faculty to conduct such a course.

_____________________________________________                   _____________________________
(Signature)                                                                       (Date)

The following is a list of items required for a complete application:

☐ Signed, completed application form: due March 18 for NUR 327 students and July 15 for all other students
☐ Copy of your academic transcripts
☐ Short personal statement (no more than 250 words) that:
  o Describes any experiences you have had living abroad, traveling under harsh conditions, or exposure to unpredictable conditions in lesser developed areas that would prepare you for this experience.
  o Include how you believe that completing health work overseas will fit into your career plans.
☐ Recommendation form completed by a faculty member who has taught you

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Submission of this application does not constitute acceptance into the program. You will be notified about the status of your application within 3 weeks of the application deadline. Once accepted, you will be automatically registered for the course, and corresponding charges will appear on your student bill. You will also be asked to submit a $200 non-refundable deposit upon acceptance into the program. If USM cancels the program for any reason, the non-refundable deposit will be returned to you.

In addition to the above requirements, you must:

☐ Ensure that you understand the total cost of this program (tuition and program fees). You can use financial aid for the tuition and program fee, but it is your responsibility to make sure that you have adequate funding. If you have to withdraw from the program for financial reasons, USM will retain the non-refundable deposit. Once you have confirmed your spot, you will be responsible for any amounts that have been committed and/or expended on your behalf that cannot be recovered, such as airplane tickets.

☐ Have a valid passport (with an expiration date no earlier than 6 months after expected return to the US) or be in the process of applying for a passport. A photocopy of the front page of your passport must be submitted to the Office of International Programs prior to departure. Photocopies must be high quality and recognizable. Faxed copies are not adequate.

Return your completed application to:

USM Office of International Programs, 101 Payson Smith Hall
PO Box 9300
Portland, ME 04104

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