



“Information You Can Trust”

Global Health Perspective Pathfinder

<http://www.alverno.edu/library/researchhelp/courseguideswikis/#nursing>

Books, Videos and DVDs

Found on the Alverno Library’s homepage, <http://depts.alverno.edu/library/>, our online catalog [TOPCAT](#) provides access to a variety of print and electronic materials that focus on global healthcare issues. Some useful search terms include:

- Cross cultural medicine
- Global health
- Health religious aspects
- Minorities medical care
- Transcultural health
- Transcultural nursing
- World health

Here is a sampling of print books and their call numbers from Alverno’s collection.

- *Culture & clinical care* – [Ref 610.73089 C968c 2005](#)
- *Cultural diversity in health & illness* – [362.10425 S741 2004](#) or [Ref 362.10425 S741 2009](#)
- *Doorway thoughts: Cross-cultural health care for older adults* (volumes 1-3) – [362.6 D691](#)
- *Global health care: Issues and policies* – [362.1 G562h](#)
- *Guide to culturally competent health care* – [362.1 P485](#) or [362.1 P485 2009](#)
- *Health in the Americas 2007* – [Ref 614.42 H434a 2007](#)
- *Religious traditions and health care decisions* – [Ref 610.88 R382](#)
- *Transcultural nursing: Assessment and intervention* – [610.73089 T772 2008](#) or [Ref 610.73089 T772 2013](#)

Tip: Don’t forget about the convenient SWITCH delivery service. You can request available items quickly and easily from the libraries in the SWITCH consortium. The SWITCH collection is just a click away! Ask a librarian for details.

Databases and Journal Articles

Alverno subscribes to some great databases. From the Alverno Library’s homepage, click “Finding Information”, select “[Databases by Subject](#)” and click “Nursing”. These databases offer access to scholarly resources that will help you gain a global health perspective.

- CINAHL Plus with Full Text
- PubMed Medline
- ProQuest Nursing
- Health in the Americas
- Global Issues in Context

Tip: Remember to use synonyms when searching for information on different cultures. For example, the term Hispanic is considered a synonym for the Hispanic American and Latino culture.

Websites

The Alverno Library provides access to a collection of librarian selected websites. From the library’s homepage, click “Finding Information”, select “Best Web Sites” and click “[Nursing](#)”. This page has links to more than 200 quality websites and includes sections on “Health Statistics”, “International Health”, and “Transcultural Health”. *Turn the page for a partial listing.*

International Health

Harvard World Health News

This site offers a digest of news stories and commentaries from newspapers and magazines worldwide on pressing issues in public health. Occasionally, it offers original reporting, including special features prepared by the Harvard School of Public Health.

<http://www.worldhealthnews.harvard.edu/>

Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)

PAHO is an international public health agency dedicated to improving health and living standards of the countries of the Americas. Its site provides information on a variety of health topics, data and statistics, and access to numerous publications including the respected [*Health in the Americas*](#).

<http://new.paho.org/hq/index.php?lang=en>

World Health Organization (WHO)

This comprehensive site provides detailed information on many aspects of health care for countries around the world. It provides information on health topics, data and statistics, traveler's health reports, and more. The site also includes access to many WHO publications, including the [*World Health Report*](#).

<http://www.who.int/en/>

Health Statistics – International Health

Globalhealthfacts.org

Found on the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation website, this resource provides current data by country on a variety of key health and socio-economic indicators.

<http://www.globalhealthfacts.org/>

Global Health Observatory (GHO)

World Health Organization's guide to international statistical and epidemiological information.

<http://www.who.int/gho/en/>

Transcultural Health

Culture Clues™

Created by the University of Washington Medical Center, Culture Clues are short tip sheets designed to increase awareness of concepts and preferences of patients from diverse cultures. This site includes end-of-life care guidelines for some cultures.

<http://depts.washington.edu/pfes/CultureClues.htm>

CulturedMed™

Created by the State University of New York (SUNY) Institute of Technology Library, this site provides access to online resources that discuss health beliefs and ethnographic information about various ethnic groups. Look for the "Bibliographies by Ethnic Group" link on the main menu to access scholarly bibliographies on a variety of groups.

<http://culturedmed.binghamton.edu/>

EthnoMed

Created by the University of Washington Harborview Medical Center, this site contains information about cultural beliefs, medical issues, and other information pertinent to the health care of recent immigrants and refugees.

<http://ethnomed.org/>

Need more information? Be sure to contact an Alverno librarian at (414) 382-6062