Global Food Security and Systems

NURSING 620
3 credits  U/G  Online Course
Prerequisites: Junior standing; or consent of instructor
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Course is open to students from all majors, from other universities, and to non-degree seeking students!

“Food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient safe and nutritious food to meet their dietary needs and food preferences for a healthy and active life” (FAO). More than enough food is produced to feed everyone on the planet. Over 1 billion people, however, are hungry or undernourished (WHO). This course will examine the structural factors that impact global food systems and global food security. Special emphasis will be placed on the intersection of gender and food security. Women are the primary producers, procurers, and preparers of food in most parts of the world, yet are disproportionately impacted by food insecurity. Students will explore the political, economic, sociocultural, and environmental influences that contribute to the hegemony of globalized food systems, and how those systems affect development and food security in many parts of the world.