

EXPERT'S PROFILE

Name of Grantee : Maria Cynthia Leigh, RN, PhD, FACN
Area of Expertise : Nursing/Health Sciences Teaching and Learning,
Research and Community Engagement
Inclusive Date of Contract as BSP Awardee : Short-Term Program (63 days)
: Phase I: 06 March – 02 April, 2017
Phase II: 04 July – 17 July, 2017
Phase III: 14 November – 04 December, 2017
Host Institution : College of Nursing, De La Salle Health Sciences Institute
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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

2011	Graduate Certificate of Higher Education	Australian Catholic University
2007	Certificate IV (Training & Assessment)	Australian Catholic University (ACUcom)
2002	Certificate in Adult TESOL (Postgraduate Course)	Australian Catholic University (ACUcom)
1999	Certificate of Leadership in Healthcare (EDUCARE)	Australian Catholic University
1990	Graduate Diploma of Applied Science (Nursing)	Sydney College of Advanced Education (now Sydney University Nursing School)
1990	General Nursing Certificate	Prince of Wales/Prince Henry Hospitals, Sydney
1987	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)	School of Biotechnology, University of New South Wales, Sydney
1968	Master of Science (Botany)	University of the Philippines - Diliman
1966	Bachelor of Science (Botany)	University of the Philippines - Diliman

WORK EXPERIENCES

Australian Catholic University (25 years)

1996 - 2016	Senior Lecturer, School of Nursing Midwifery & Paramedicine (NSW & ACT)
2012 – 2015	Core Curriculum Campus Leader (Nth Sydney)
2010 – 2011	Bachelor of Nursing Honours Program Coordinator
2007 – 2008	Assistant Head of School of Nursing (ACT)
1999 - 2010	Chair, School of Nursing Internationalisation Committee, Nth Sydney
1999 – 2005	Head, School of Nursing (Nth Sydney)
1998	Acting Head of School, School of Nursing & Human Movement (Nth Sydney)
1990 – 1998	Chair, School of Nursing Research Committee (Nth Sydney)
1990 – 1995	Lecturer, School of Nursing (Nth Sydney)

April – May 1990 RN, POW Intensive Care Unit
Feb 1988 – Student Nurse, Prince of Wales/Prince Henry Hospitals
March 1990

New South Wales Department of Health (2.5 years)

April – May 1990 RN, POW Intensive Care Unit
1988 – 1990 Student Nurse, Prince of Wales/Prince Henry Hospitals

University of New South Wales (7 years)

1988 Research Officer, NHRMC Program Grant, School of Microbiology
1986 – 1987 Research Assistant, NHRMC Program Grant, School of
Microbiology
1979 – 1986 Tutor, Schools of Biotechnology and Microbiology

University of the Philippines, Diliman Quezon City (10 years)

1975 – 1978 Assistant Professor, Institute of Biology (Dept. of Botany)
1974 – 1978 Special Asst. to the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
(Improvement of University Teaching portfolio)
1973 – 1978 Consultant in Biology, Science Education Centre
1969 – 1975 Lecturer, Institute of Biology, Dept. of Botany

To be Accomplished as a BSP Awardee

1. Conduct an intensive workshop on engendering a critical inquiry mind-set and practice among academics and clinicians that includes conducting evidence synthesis
2. Provide a hands-on training to selected academicians and clinicians on the evidence-based practice (EBP) process using published projects and reports that are relevant to possible undertaking of similar projects in public and private hospitals
3. Develop a proposal on a specific project on clinical interventions and on provision of quality patient care by identifying actual health needs of patients at De La Salle University Medical Center (DLSUMC)
4. Give lectures on the following to the DLSHSI, College of Nursing students and staff:
 - a. Transcultural Nursing: A Global Perspective;
 - b. Translation Science: Bridging the Theory-Practice gap in Nursing; Mixed Methods Approach: Pragmatism in Research
5. Initiate collaborations between the Australian Catholic University and DLSHSI