

Lesson Plan on Global Perspectives

Based on: The Earth Charter

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I will be using this starting in February 2009 with the new CHN students during their reflection time. I can think of no better place to get them thinking about this global issue

Understanding that the health of the world's population depends upon the health of the planet Earth, this lesson is designed to open awareness of community health students to the problems and challenges that face mankind entering the 21st Century.

Objectives:

Upon completion of this class students will be able to:

Demonstrate knowledge regarding the urgency of global warming

Demonstrate knowledge regarding environmental impact of global warming on health on the individual and specifically on the population of Miami Dade College

Demonstrate knowledge regarding the Earth Charter principles of respect and care for the community of life, Ecological Integrity, Social and Economic Justice, and Democracy, Nonviolence and Peace.

Identify a problem within the community directly or indirectly caused from environmental issues.

Describe Environmental Sustainability and discuss ways too bring about an environmentally sustainable future.

Lesson:

- 1- Research 2 articles on global warming and write a two page report on your findings
- 2- Read The Earth Charter. The class will be divided up into 4 groups. Each group will be assigned to report on a principle and identify some of the challenges we face as a nation in the 21st century.
- 3- Explore websites from Miami Dade County.gov regarding any programs developed or being considered that directly impact environmental sustainability
- 4- Describe 5 illnesses seen in the population of Miami Dade County that is directly or indirectly caused from environmental issues. Give an example of a program that either exists or one that you could create to help address environment and health.