



5th bi-annual  
international  
student  
conference

## Spiritual Care and Health Professions: Context and Practice

November 3 and 4, 2011  
Moses & Aaron Church, Amsterdam  
The Netherlands

**Hosted by the Departments of Health Care of**  
Reformed University of Applied Sciences, Zwolle  
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*Presentations and discussions in English*



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*A unique opportunity to meet international colleagues and friends and learn and discuss about your professional role regarding spirituality and spiritual care.*

## **Spiritual Care and Health Professions: Context and Practice**

Spiritual care forms an integral part of holistic health care delivered by nurses, midwives, social workers e.g. Although from healthcare workers is expected that they care for the spiritual dimension of the patient, many questions exist about their professional role. This conference will help students and other healthcare workers to find answers regarding their professional role in spiritual care. The objectives of the conference are to explore:

- The opportunities of spiritual care in clinical practice
- The social context of spiritual care
- The role of spirituality in illness and care
- The role of the professional in spiritual care
- Personal aspects of spiritual care

### **Participants**

International health care students (nursing, midwifery, medical, social work e.g.) are especially invited for this conference. We also welcome health care practitioners and scholars.



## **Programme**

The conference includes the following programme:

### **November 3rd**

09.00 Registration

09.30 Welcome

09.45 The essence of spiritual care in health care

Dr. Martin Walton, Lecturer in Spiritual Care at Protestant Theological University, Kampen, Netherlands

10.15 Healthcare student's perceptions of spirituality and spiritual care

Dr. Linda Ross, Senior Lecturer at University of Glamorgan, Wales

- 10.45 Coffee/tea break
- 11.15 Spirituality in today's secular society  
drs. Sylvia Grevel, Researcher KASKI Expertise Institute for Religion and Society, Netherlands
- 11.45 Spirituality in healthcare professions; conceptualization  
Prof. Kees Waaijman, Professor in spirituality, Titus Brandsma Institute, Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands
- 12.15 Discussion
- 12.45 Lunch break
- 14.00 Parallel sessions 1
- 15.00 Coffee/tea break
- 15.30 Parallel sessions 2
- 20.00 Excursion: Amsterdam canal tour  
by night (€15,-)



### November 4th

- 09.00 Registration
- 09.30 Welcome
- 09.45 Spiritual care in health care: state of the art  
Dr. Peter Draper, Head of Department of Health Professionals, University of Hull, England
- 10.15 The relevance of spirituality in healthcare: a perspective from nursing science  
Prof. Wilfred Schnepf, Nursing professor, University Witten/Herdecke, Germany
- 10.45 Coffee/tea break
- 11.15 Development of a guideline for spiritual care in palliative care in the Netherlands  
Dr. Carlo Leget, Associate Professor, Faculty Humanities, Tilburg University, Netherlands
- 11.45 Spiritual care in a hospital setting  
Dr. Donia Baldacchino, Senior Lecturer Faculty of Health Sciences, Coordinator MSc Health Science (Nursing/Midwifery/Mental Health), University of Malta.
- 12.15 Discussion
- 12.45 Lunch break
- 14.00 Parallel sessions 3
- 15.00 Closing remarks
- 16.30 EXCURSION: Hospice Kuria, Amsterdam (ends 18.00 hrs.)

### Parallel sessions

The parallel sessions will focus on the clinical and practical aspects of spiritual care.

### Call for abstracts

You are invited to submit an abstract for a workshop or poster presentation before September 1, 2011, to [studconf2011@gh.nl](mailto:studconf2011@gh.nl).

**Location**

Moses & Aaron Church, Waterlooplein 205, Amsterdam

**Accommodation**

Amsterdam offers a great choice of accommodations at your own discretion. Suggestions available upon request. For student rates consider [stayokay.com/](http://stayokay.com/) [zeeburg](http://zeeburg.com/) or [flyingpig.nl](http://flyingpig.nl).

**Conference fee**

Early bird conference fee: registration before July 1st 2011

Students: Registration before July 1st 2011: € 50

Other participants: Registration before July 1st 2011: € 130,-

After July 1st 20% will be added to the fee.

**Registration**

Do you want to apply? Please register at the following email address:

[studconf2011@gh.nl](mailto:studconf2011@gh.nl)

Please indicate if you register for the conference (Nov. 3 & 4), the pre-conference (Nov. 2), and/or the canal tour (Nov. 3).

**Information, questions**

Do you need further information or do you have any questions:

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