

Presence and contribution of Faculty members of School of Rehabilitation of TUMS and the guest Speakers in the field of Physical Therapy in the 3-day Symposium Webinar on Internationalization of Higher Education (IHE) during Coronavirus Crisis

Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) is organizing a symposium webinar called “Internationalization of Higher Education During Coronavirus Crisis” to be held from **18 to 20 May 2020** with the aim to address some important aspects of higher education impacted by the COVID-19 situation.

Panel of the first day of the symposium is called “Internationalization of Higher Education Policy Shift during/ after Coronavirus Crisis”, the second day is “e-Learning during Coronavirus Crisis” and the third day is “Post-quarantine Challenges in Medical Sciences Education”.

School of Rehabilitation of TUMS is actively involved in one of the sub panels of the third day entitled “Educational challenges in medicine and physical therapy” by inviting four recognized international faculty members in this area.

Alison Greig who is presenting the lecture “COVID-19: Implications for Curriculum Delivery in a Canadian Physical Therapy Program” is the Associate Head of the MPT Program at University of British Columbia (UBC). She has been recognized for her teaching contributions and received the Faculty of Medicine Distinguished Achievement Award for Excellence in Education (2014) and Physiotherapy Association of British Columbia (PABC) Award for Excellence in Education (2012). The next guest Speaker in this sub-panel is **Susan Murphy**. Sue Murphy is a Physical Therapist and Head in the Department of Physical Therapy at UBC. She worked clinically in critical care for many years and more recently has been involved in teaching and educational scholarship, focusing on clinical

education and professionalism. She has also presented at national and international conferences and enjoys the challenge of educational innovation, and in this panel she is presenting the lecture “Responding to COVID-19 - Experiences of a Canadian Physical Therapy Program”. Another Speaker from UBC is **Karen Sauve**. She is the Associate Head of Clinical Education at Department of Physical Therapy at UBC. Karen’s teaching is focused on the pediatric content throughout the MPT Program; specifically, pediatric neurology, pathology and participation and the normal development lab. In this Webinar she presents “COVID-19: Implications for Clinical Education in a Canadian Physical Therapy Program”. **Shafik Dharamsi** who is presenting “Transformative Learning in an Online Educational Setting” is Dean and professor of College of Health Sciences at the University of Texas at El Paso.

Also, Dr. Mohammad Reza Hadian, Dean and professor of physiotherapy department, and Dr. Azadeh Shadmehr, Deputy for International Affairs and professor of physiotherapy department of School of Rehabilitation of TUMS are participating in this sub-panel as discussion panel members and scientific committee members. At the end of the lectures, they will discuss the issues presented and will review the challenges of Physiotherapy education in Universities by emphasizing on the methods experienced in the School of Rehabilitation of Tehran University of Medical Sciences during Corona Crisis.

We hope to contribute to the enrichment of this event by benefiting from International lecturers from recognized Universities.