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Dr. Freida Chavez brings a unique combination of health systems and academic leadership and is a leader in global health/nursing. Dr. Chavez is the Founding Director, Global Affairs Office, Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto. She is a fervent advocate for the development of innovative and sustainable global partnerships and internationalization as an imperative in higher education. She forged successful strategic Interprofessional global collaborations including those in Brazil, India, China, Ethiopia, Oman, and Spain.

Passionate about the need to transform health professional education and practice with a global perspective, she spearheaded integration of global health in the curriculum, using critical pedagogy to graduate nurses as global citizens. Championing curricular reform to transform health professional education, Dr. Chavez implemented innovative Interprofessional courses. She very quickly transformed courses to digital delivery during the COVID 19 pandemic. She is a Co- PI on a CIHR funded project to develop guidelines to strengthen health care workers' capacity of managing COVID-19 in low-and-middle- income countries.

She authored the World Health Organization's (WHO) publication, Interprofessional Collaborative Practice in Primary Health Care, Nursing and Midwifery Perspectives. She has published and presented globally on relevant topics including Nurses as Global Citizens, Interprofessional Collaborative Practice. Advanced Practice Nursing, Professional Doctorate, Global Health, Primary Health Care, and Internationalization Strategies.

Dr. Chavez holds Visiting Professorships and Adjunct appointments in the USA and internationally including: Johns Hopkins and Case Western Universities in the USA, University of Lleida in Spain, and Prince of Songkhla University in Thailand. She was a Visiting Scholar at the Yale School of Nursing during her research and study leave in 2017/18.

She is actively engaged with many global organizations including the Consortium of Universities in Global Health, United Nations, CICIAMS, WHO, International Council of Nurses, Commission on Graduates for Foreign Nursing Schools, among other organizations. Dr. Chavez brings Board governance experience as a Director in several Boards and a Founding President of a not for profit Board.

After her Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Bachelor's in Health Administration degrees, she completed her Master of Health Science (Health Administration) from University of Toronto, and Doctor of Nursing Practice (Educational Leadership) from Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), USA. Her awards include an inaugural award from CWRU for an alumna who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and achievement in health care and has made significant contributions in nursing and related areas of healthcare. Dr. Chavez is a Fellow of the esteemed organization, the American Academy of Nursing.