

Curriculum Vitae

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE SUMMARY BIOGRAPHY

Dr Omeri is a respected academic alumnus of the University of Sydney's Faculty of Nursing and Cumberland College of Health Sciences. A Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing, Australia, now the Australian College of Nursing, she earned her PhD in Transcultural Nursing from the University of Sydney, completing the first study in this field in Australia. Today Dr Omeri is a leading advocate in Transcultural nursing with a national and international reputation as an educator and researcher in this field of nursing practice.

Her doctoral research shed insight into the health beliefs and practices of Iranian immigrants in Australia within a mono-cultural health system. Her work led to the development of an extensive body of literature examining the cultural diversity of different client groups, particularly immigrants, refugees and indigenous groups, and the promotion of culturally congruent, evidence-based strategies and practices.

An acknowledged national leader of transcultural nursing she is recognized internationally by the Transcultural Nursing Society (TCNS) as a Certified Transcultural Nurse (TCN-Advanced) and as a Transcultural Nursing scholar. She has received national recognition for her work in this field with the award of the Order of Australia (OAM).

She has taught the theory, concepts and practice of transcultural nursing in schools of nursing in Australia, Iran, USA and Saudi Arabia as a member of faculty and has taught them to students in disciplines other than nursing.

An innovator in teaching methods she has developed curricula, designed courses, and adapted programs to suit the context of, not only Australian tertiary education settings, but to meet the education requirements of linguistically and culturally different student groups particularly in the practice areas of child and family health, palliative care and aged care.

As a TCN consultant, due to her broad experience in implementing transcultural nursing concepts in clinical settings and her reputation as a scholar, she is sought out, nationally and internationally, to supervise, guide and support nursing students at all levels of academic development, particularly those caring for diverse population groups and wishing to engage in transcultural nursing practice or to qualify as TCN nurses.

Partnering with the former Royal College of Nursing, Australia she established a TCN Society and a network of TCN nurses which led the formulation of a TCN policy adopted nationally by the College.

Dr Omeri promotes transcultural nursing as a pathway to the globalization of the nursing profession for embedded in its practice are opportunities for improving the health of communities world-wide through informed, culturally congruent care and leadership.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Faculty of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Sydney NSW, Australia. June 1996.

Post Masters, summer special course in Transcultural nursing, School of Nursing, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, USA. 1992 and 1994 (Nursing 707 TCN).

Master of Nursing (MN), School of Nursing, University of Washington. Seattle, Washington, USA.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), School of Nursing, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA.

Registered Midwife (RM), Central Midwives Board, UK.

Registered Nurse (RN), School of Nursing, American University of Beirut-Lebanon (AUB) Beirut, Lebanon.

REGISTRATION/CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE:

RN: Registered Nurse (Division 1) Renewed from 01/06/2014 to 31/05/15.

RM: Registered Midwife. Renewed from 01/06/2014 to 31/05/2013 and recently to 31/05/15.

CTN-A: Advanced Certification in Transcultural Nursing (CTN-A) 2010: current to 2016 (Transcultural Nursing Society Certification Commission Board (Global).

NAATI: Certified Translator, National Accreditation Authority for Translators & Interpreters (NAATI), Canberra, ACT Australia.

HONOURS & AWARDS

2012: **OAM** (Order of Australia Medal). Awarded for services to nursing and in transcultural nursing.

2005: **Scholar Award**: In recognition of research and publications and contribution to Transcultural nursing, Global.

1998: **Leininger Award** by the Transcultural Nursing Society, Global for Excellence and Creative Leadership in Transcultural Nursing and Human Care. The award was presented during the annual Transcultural nursing research conference in New Jersey, USA.

1998: Appointed **Regional Liaison Consultant**/contact for the Cooperative Alliance of the Transcultural Nursing Society TCNS-Global in the southern hemisphere, including Australia, New Zealand and countries in the Southern and Western Pacific region.

POSITIONS HELD AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Australia:

2010-present

Transcultural nursing and healthcare Consultant www.drakramomeri.com

2009: Notre Dame University, Sydney Australia

Position: Associate Professor, School of Nursing, Notre Dame University Australia, Darlinghurst Campus, NSW, Australia (by invitation).

Invited to continue as part of a growing faculty, by the School of Nursing, Darlinghurst Campus. In this capacity I continued: teaching Transcultural Nursing; developed a separate Unit in Indigenous Health, undertook supervision of first honour student at the School; Prepared a new unit of study in qualitative research; published two book chapters.

2008: Notre Dame University, Sydney Australia

Position: Sessional Academic, invited by the School of Nursing, University of Notre Dame, Darlington Campus.

In this role, I designed and taught an undergraduate one semester unit

In Transcultural nursing in the Bachelor of Nursing Course. (August–October 2008).

2004-2007 University of Western Sydney, NSW Australia

Position: Adjunct Associate Professor (by invitation)

I was able to consolidate Transcultural Nursing as a field of study, practice and research In this role. During this period I published several book chapters, many articles in refereed journals, and co-edited the Special Issue of Contemporary Nurse, Advances in Transcultural Nursing (2008), as well as advising staff on Transcultural nursing issues upon request. I continued presenting at national and international TCN Conferences to build upon the growing evidenced based TCN knowledge informing nursing practices.

1990-1997: School of Nursing, Cumberland College of Health Sciences, NSW Australia

Position: Lecturer, School of Nursing, Cumberland College of Health Sciences, NSW Australia.

I taught nursing, at this time, in a number of subjects including; Health Promotion, Child and Family Nursing, Clinical Practice in the laboratory, and supervision of BN and BSN students in the clinical settings, as well as participating in planning clinical placements for undergraduate students.

1990: These years at Cumberland provided the foundation for my leadership in TCN and where my pioneering contributions began.

- I had the good fortune of a supportive and forward thinking staff at Cumberland College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing as well as a Continuing Education Committee who supported my initiative in establishing Transcultural nursing at the School of Nursing at Cumberland.
- I developed a course titled 'Multiculturalism and nursing' and began teaching it as early as 1991. Staff members and external experts, such as trauma survivors from STARTTS (Services for Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma survivors) informed the course. This unit was designed for R- BN students

1991: I undertook a survey of schools of nursing in Australia in order to establish the status of TCN teachings/education in Australian Nursing Schools (findings reported elsewhere)

1992 & 1994: In the early 1990, I began planning for further study to pursue research and doctoral studies in Nursing. I began corresponding with Dr Leininger in the late 1980s, seeking her guidance in pursuing TCN studies. I was invited by Dr Leininger to undertake a course (post-masters) in TCN in May 1992 and following approval attended a Summer Special Course in TCN at Wayne State University, Detroit Michigan, USA. The course was taught by Dr Leininger. My research on Macedonian immigrants in NSW was concurrent with PhD study which was already in progress. In 1994 I re-enrolled in another course taught by Dr Leininger at (WSU) to study ethnonursing qualitative research and Leininger-Templin-Thompson (LTT Computer Pg.), a computer data analysis package for qualitative data analysis generated in using ethnonursing research methods.

Concurrent with my PhD study and research, I was able to advance planning of a new course in TCN and began teaching the subject following approval from the board of postgraduate studies. (This course was designed at postgraduate level for MN and PhD students).

1994: In preparation for my advanced PhD study, I began to guide and supervise students in TCN research. One of my first BN students, Deborah Brooks, completed a study of the 'Views on vaccination of Lebanese Muslim Immigrants in NSW Australia'

1996: I completed my PhD in Transcultural Nursing on "Care Values, Beliefs and Practices of Iranian Immigrants in NSW Australia". It was the first PhD study in Australia in the field of TCN.

1993-1994: I sought RCNA's support for TCN at a national level. The move was successful in promoting awareness of TCN nationally and in gaining recognition. The move resulted in the establishment of a national network of nurses either involved in caring for diverse populations or interested in sharing related issues. A TCN network/society was established, a newsletter produced by TCN-RCNA and regular meetings were held which I chaired for 3 terms (3.years). National policies were reviewed and renewed relating to culturally appropriate nursing care and Indigenous people of Australia; monographs published as part of the RCNA continuing education series.

As a member of the Continuing Education Committee at Cumberland School of nursing I instigated 3 annual national TCN conferences in 1992-1994 hosted by Cumberland College, School of Nursing.

I also initiated 2 TCN national hosted in Sydney NSW Australia, in (1998) and the year (2000).

1997-2003: The University of Sydney, Faculty of Nursing

Position: Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Nursing, University of Sydney, NSW Australia.
(Cumberland College of Health Science merged with University of Sydney and the School of Nursing and the Faculty of Nursing at Sydney University became one Faculty).

- Introduced and began teaching a comprehensive teaching in TCN for graduate students and students undertaking research in Transcultural nursing.
- The first PhD student completing TCN study of CCT with Mauritian immigrants' in NSW. I mentored the student and she attended TCN course.

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- This study of the first PhD discovered and outlined the first set of TCN Competencies for Midwifery practice, suited to Mauritian immigrants which could be applied to midwifery practice in Australia. The study used Leininger's CCT and Ethnonursing Research Methods and the study completed in 2003.
- It was gratifying to see this time growing numbers of graduate nurses interested in TCN for their Masters of doctoral studies

1976-1990: Central Sydney Area Health.

Position: Team Leader of Newtown Community Health Care Centre,

This role involved leadership/management of a multidisciplinary health care team, providing physical health, mental health and social welfare services to populations residing in Newtown, Encore, Camperdown and Erskineville. The Centre was staffed with a multidisciplinary health care team, with diverse cultural backgrounds. Cultural diversity among the staff and served by the community health care team, called for better understanding of issues confronting immigrants and people of diverse and/or similar cultural backgrounds. The team worked in collaboration with the range of services including: Aboriginal health and welfare services, schools, early childhood centers, probation parole; youth centers, drug and alcohol and a range of businesses, neighbourhood centers, community action groups and developed strong linkages with major hospitals, nursing homes and other health care and social welfare services.

Experiences in the community prompted me to move to academia in order to establish and initiate Transcultural Nursing as a specialty area of study, research and practice.

1972-1974

Position: Nurse Educator, Prince Henry-Prince of Wales hospitals;

Prior to above academic position/s and during my early years of teaching in NSW Australia, I was employed as 'nurse educator' at the Nursing Education Centre, in these hospitals for two years. In this role I taught nursing science, maternal-infant nursing as well as a number of other subjects.

Overseas:

2006-2007:

Dar Al Hekma College, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

A multidisciplinary women's college, King Faisal Health & Research Centre, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Position held: Associate Professor (by invitation)

In this role, I taught Maternal-Infant Care and Community Nursing for one semester, I was involved in the revision of courses/units of study, building a research culture and preparing a submission for the establishment of a Chair of Women's Health. Additionally, I mentored several final year students in preparation and development of a term assignment on the 'Impact of Islamic practices on breast-feeding'. The paper was presented during a National Evidence – Based Nursing Conference held in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia in 2007.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

My academic career has been committed to transcultural nursing and related issues based upon my personal and professional experience, firstly as a student of the discipline then as an academic and educator and researcher. I introduced Australian nurses to this discipline; encouraged its growth and application in practice; pursued the development of TCN

knowledge through my own research and promoted the discipline through publications and presentations and supported nurses applying TN concepts and practices in their nursing practice/work.

TRANSCULTURAL NURSING ADVOCACY:

As an International advocate:

As an international advocate for Transcultural Nursing I have served on the following committees/planning groups:

- Transcultural Nursing Society Global (USA) for repeated terms by invitation
- Member Leininger Award Committee-Transcultural Nursing Society (two consecutive terms) in 1995-1998.
- Reviewed abstracts for national and International transcultural nursing (TCN) conferences in Australia (1998-2000) and overseas TCN Conferences (1997-2002).
- Contributed to a joint chapter in the Core Curriculum (a book of reading for applicants for Certification in TCN, published on October 2010)
- Invited contributor to the development of policy guidelines relating to the selection criteria for certification, the design of the application form, fees and the process of recertification in Transcultural nursing,
- Elected Chair of the Nomination Committee of Transcultural Nursing Society (2004-2006).

As a national advocate:

- Instigated by Transcultural Nursing Society, the Royal College of Nursing Australia (RCNA) in 1994, and appointed National Chair, followed by 2 additional terms of 2 years in the same position (1994-2006).
- Invited/nominee for President elect of Transcultural Nursing Society (2007).
- Proposed to the management of the RCNA to create an Achievement Award for recognition of distinguished International nurse scholars/leaders that have made noteworthy contributions to nursing in Australia. The proposal was accepted and Professor Leininger, the founder of the discipline of transcultural nursing was the first recipient of the award for her ongoing support of Australian nurses, in the year 2000. This award was presented to Dr Leininger during Transcultural nursing conference, Gold Coast in the 2000.
- Member of International Association for Human Caring (1992-1996).
- I am nominated liaison contact/consultant by Transcultural Nursing Society, Global, in the Western Pacific region and the sole consultant in Transcultural Nursing for the former Royal College of Nursing, Australia.

As Transcultural nursing educator:

The move to academia led to my foundational work in establishing the first courses/units of study in undergraduate and Master of Nursing (MN) courses at Cumberland College of Health Sciences. These courses enabled students to undertake basic and advanced studies and research in Transcultural nursing education and practice.

Advocacy in Transcultural nursing and related issues/publications

In my academic career, since 1990, I have published over 65+ original peer-reviewed research papers in a range of reputable international and Australian Journals, chapters in books, and in national nursing newspapers (Nursing Review and Connections) with my first

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joint publication in Medical Journal of Australia in 1975. The topics such as Maternal – Child Health, Community Nursing, Indigenous students, health care issues confronting refugees and asylum seekers, and Transcultural nursing as a discipline are among the range of my publications.

As guest editor, I completed the Special Issue of Contemporary Nurse on Contemporary Advances in TCN 2e/28 (1-2): 2008. I have authored 21 book chapters and two books/monographs since 1995 and my work is frequently cited in nursing, social science and other health science literature, nationally and internationally.

I support TCN scholarship through serving on the Editorial Boards of the following journals:

Online Journal of Cultural Competence in Nursing and Health Care. University of Michigan-Flint (2010-present)
Journal of Transcultural Nursing (USA. Official Journal of TCNS since (1992-present)
Journal of Diversity in Health & Care. (UK) since (2000-present)
Journal of Nursing Research. Isfahan University Isfahan (Iran) (2006-present).

I peer review for:

Contemporary Nurse (Australia)
Collegian, Journal of the Royal College of Nursing, (Australia)
Journal of Transcultural Nursing (USA)
Online Journal of Cultural Competence in Nursing and Health Care. University of Michigan-Flint (2010), USA
Journal of Diversity in Health and Care (UK).

Transcultural Mentorship and Consultations

My advocacy in Transcultural nursing, through my publications and keynote addresses has brought increasing numbers of requests for post-graduate studies and supervision of higher degrees. I have supervised 9 postgraduate projects – many to completion, assisted publication of completed research and provided mentorship of students. This trend has continued beyond my academic roles.

RECENT CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD):

2013: (22/11/13) Visiting the School of Nursing, University of Michigan-Flint upon invitation by the Director and Dean Professor Margaret Andrews Dean of the School. With the aim of orientating myself with new projects and plans of research in TCN and Cultural Competency in Nursing.

2013: 25TH Anniversary (1988-2013). STARTTS: *Services for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors in NSW.* Celebrating the success and the importance of continuity of related services for Refugees and Survivors of Torture and Trauma: Celebrating 25 years of healing and empowerment. WWW.STARTTS.ORG.AU. 10am-2:00 pm, Friday 6th of December 2013 at Imperial Paradise, Room, 58 Spencer Street, Fairfield NSW.

2013: *Transcultural Nursing: Relationships for Health Locally, Nationally and Internationally.* Transcultural Nursing Society 39th Annual Conference, October 23-26, 2013. Albuquerque, NM. USA

2010: Advanced-Certification in Transcultural nursing to CTN-Advanced for 5 years (2016), TCN Society, USA.

2010: Attended lecture by Geoffrey Robertson, QC, Head of Doughty Street Chambers, London, UK-titled *the case of the Pope: Vatican Accountability for Human Rights Abuse* at London School of Economics, Public Lecture, Sheikh Zayed Theatre, London, UK.

2010: Mental Health First Aid MHFA1310 by Kevin O'Neil, Shalwyn Counseling Services, Moss Vale NSW (27-28/09/19) 9:00-4:00 pm =12 hours).

2010: First Aid Refresher Course 367463 SFA, Australian Red Cross, 159 Clarence Street, Sydney NSW (5-6/10/10, 8:30-4:30=16hours).

2009: Italian Beginners Course No. 09PII4536, ID: 234703. Sydney University Continuing Education Centre (13/10/09-15/12/09=20 hrs.).

SELECTED CONSULTANCIES IN TRANSCULTURAL NURSING: 1990-2013

I have provided consultancies in transcultural nursing and health care to nursing students, faculties of nursing and medicine as well as other health science faculties, clinicians, and health care organizations since early 1990 in Australia and overseas.

The following summarizes the nature of requests received:

- Individuals - undergraduate students and higher degree candidates wishing to pursue TN academically seeking advice and guidance as to how and where to pursue their education aims.
- Individual nurses inquiring as to how to become certified as TN nurses and seeking information on the pathway to achieve this aim
- Faculty seeking direction and guidance to develop TN units and courses for students at under and post graduate levels.
- Doctoral students seeking supervision for their doctoral studies in TN
- Doctoral students seeking advice on TN research projects.
- Clinicians seeking assistance with TN issues in the work place.
- Educators working with students from diverse cultural back grounds seeking advice and guidance.
- Health organizations seeking advice as to how to appropriately approach culturally diverse populations with health messages.
- Academics wishing to discuss and share their research proposals and findings.

Please visit my website: www.drakramomeri.com for details.

INVITED INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATIONS:

During my employment at Cumberland College of Health Sciences, and the University of Sydney, Faculty of Nursing, I recruited many candidates, both international (Canada, New Zealand, Iran, Malaysia) and from Australia, who undertook higher degrees (PhD, MN) under my mentorship. My international consultancy has brought many requests by students and faculties who are eager to undertake graduate studies in Australia, and overseas.

2010: Request from the audit and evaluation team of the Medical Foundation for the Care of the Victims of Torture in London. The request was to use my research publications on refugees and asylum seekers as a basis for the development of an outcome tool for

evaluating therapeutic services with survivors of torture. The organization will acknowledge the research publication as well as the method of usage in the evaluation form.

2010: Invitation to contribute a chapter on care of refugees and asylum seekers as part of a major publication (Core Curriculum) proposed by Transcultural nursing Certification Committee, to be published by the *Journal of Transcultural nursing-Special Issue*. This publication will be recommended reading guide for TCN certification.

2007: Upon request contributed a range of MCQ items to a developing bank of multiple-choice items for inclusion in the examination of those seeking certification in TCN. This was part of my involvement in Transcultural Nursing Certification Board/Commission for Certification.

2007: Invited: as an Associate Professor, DAH College, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia/Senior Program Director, KFSHRC, August 19, 2006 to February 19,

2007 Teaching 4 courses In Maternal-Infant Nursing (Theory & Clinical) and Community Health Nursing (Theory & Clinical).

2006: Invited to conduct a 3-days workshop in TCN *Journey of Cultural Awareness*, DAH College and KFSH&RC. April 10-20, 2006. Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

2006: Invited by the School of Nursing at Dar Al Hekma College/KFSHRC Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, to visit and conduct a number of Transcultural nursing workshops in collaboration with the Director of Nursing Education and Research at King Faisal Hospital Health Research Centre, in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. April 10-12,

2006: Orchestrated a visit for Dr Azita Emami, Assistant Professor from Karolinska Institute in Sweden to Australia February 19-March 2. 2006. She was a guest at University of Western Sydney NSW, Australia.

2003: Invited as part of a twelve member international panel of nurses from Australia, Canada, UK, USA, Lebanon, Jordan to participate in sharing experiences and expertise in a new initiative in nursing in Saudi Arabia, related to the development of the first BSN program in Nursing. The project was titled: *Collaboration Model between Nursing Services and Schools of Nursing in the Context of the Middle East*.

2002: Collaborative research on *Factors that influence nurses in Australia to complete the BN degree once it was required as the minimum for nursing education*. This was a joint research project initiated by Professor Mary Wawrzynski, Professor and Dean of the School of Nursing, visiting scholar, College of Health & Social Sciences Madonna University, Livonia Michigan, USA.

LEADERSHIP

My leadership activities date back to the beginning of my career as a National Nurse Consultant in Iran, followed by my appointment as team leader of Newtown Community Care Centre, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Camperdown, NSW Australia, then as national leader in Transcultural Nursing, with the Royal College of Nursing, Australia and in academia. The following list highlights my leadership role in Transcultural nursing. Others are listed under different roles and responsibilities as appropriate.

1990-onwards

This leadership initiatives have been in Transcultural nursing education, research and policy direction and have impacted Australian nursing in academia and in nursing practice. These included:

- Initiating NEW courses of study and teaching;
- Leading research and publications,
- Supervising postgraduate nursing students (BN Honours, MN, PhD),
- Recruiting international students to study and research in Transcultural nursing,
- Undertaking collaborative research with leading TCN Organizations,
- Strengthening professional linkage/collaboration with appropriate international nursing organizations,
- Presenting at national and international conferences as well as other consultancies in a variety of settings and contexts.
- Publishing research findings in Australia and overseas,
- Joined editorial boards of a number of international and national editorial boards,
- Acting Head of School (on several occasions) upon delegation by the Head of School 1998-1999.
- Initiating Transcultural nursing conferences nationally and internationally to share research-based knowledge and to promote the place of Australian nursing in transcultural nursing education and research, impacting nursing practice/s.

TEACHING & TEACHING INTERESTS

Teaching interests:

Community Health/Nursing
Primary Health Care
Health Promotion
Home Nursing
Child and Family Health Nursing
Maternal-Child Health Nursing
Transcultural Nursing
Nursing in Developing Countries
Community Midwifery
Midwifery Practice
Qualitative research methods

As a leader in TCN I have designed curricula and developed teaching methods with the emphasis on the application of TCN Concepts, principles and practices in nursing.

CLINICAL TEACHING & SUPERVISION

2008: Clinical supervision of combined degree (2nd year MN) in Maternity-Child & Family and Neonatal Intensive Care, Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney, Mallet Street, March-April (4 weeks).

2006-2007: Clinical supervision of students in clinical settings including: Maternity and infant care nursing, Home Visiting Services, Primary Health Care clinics, and Schools in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

2005: Undertook four (4) weeks re-connecting course in Maternal Infant Care, Liverpool Hospital, upgrading of skills 21 February, 2005.

1990-2002: Clinical supervision of nursing students in Maternal-Infant care in a number of Hospitals in NSW (KGV, Royal Hospital for Women, Auburn Hospital), in NSW.

1990-1999: Clinical supervision of nursing students in Palliative Care, Aged Care and Community Nursing, in NSW.

1994-1998: Coordinated clinical placements for RN-BN for a number of years, including placements in primary health care settings in remote areas.

I have been involved in supervision and assessment of clinical competencies for BN Students for 3 decades. Provided Liaison with resources for the care of mothers-infants and families in community health (e.g. early childhood, discharge liaison groups including, early discharge, discharge planning, parenting groups and school health teams, child health units and clinics, breastfeeding mothers, interagency, child abuse, GP's, other community health care and hospitals and immigrant lobby groups).

RESEARCH:

Research Interests:

Cultural diversity in practice

Transcultural nursing as a discipline

Immigrant nurses

Refugees and Asylum seekers

Indigenous Health & Culturally congruent strategies with Indigenous students

Workforce issues: Recruitment and retention of overseas nurse graduates

Evidence-based practice.

Research Methodologies:

Qualitative Methods:

Ethnonursing

Ethnography

Phenomenology

Survey methods

Focus group

Multidisciplinary research

Research Completed:

Omeri A (1991-1996) *Transcultural nursing care values, beliefs and practices of Iranian immigrants in NSW: Implications for nursing*. Doctoral research completed in 1996.

Omeri A (1996) Semantic meanings of care. In: A Omeri (1996) Doctoral Thesis *Transcultural nursing care values, beliefs & practices of Iranian immigrants in NSW Australia* (p. 283). The University of Sydney, NSW, Australia (Published in conference presentations and book of abstracts).

Omeri A (1996) Folk health & illness beliefs & practices (p.289). In: A. Omeri doctoral thesis: *Transcultural nursing care values, beliefs & practices of Iranian immigrants in NSW Australia*. The University of Sydney, NSW, Australia. (Published in conference proceedings and book of abstracts).

Omeri A (1996) Care patterns & rituals in death and dying. In: A Omeri doctoral thesis: *Transcultural nursing care values, beliefs & practices of Iranian immigrants in NSW Australia* (p. 306). The University of Sydney, NSW, Australia. (Incorporated in conference presentations and book of abstracts).

Raymond L & Omeri A (1998-2005) *Mauritian immigrant's beliefs, values and care practices towards health and well-being in relation to pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium within Leininger's Theory of Culture Care Diversity and Universality*. The project received an NRB Scholarship of \$20,000.00 Doctoral research in TCN. The candidate graduated in November 2004. (Principal Supervisor).

Omeri A, Lennings C & Raymond L (2001-2005) *Access to and appropriateness of physical and mental health services for the Afghan refugee community in NSW Australia*. Supported by funding of \$A 25, 000.00 from the Academic Unit of Transcultural Mental Health (TCMH). NSW, Australia. Research completed in 2003, with several publications in refereed journals and a monograph). (Principal researcher).

Omeri A (2000) *Culture care of aged Iranian immigrants in NSW, Australia: Implications for nursing practice*. Completed in 2000 (Published abstract in conference proceedings).

Omeri A, Atkins K (2000) *Lived experiences of immigrant nurses in NSW, Australia: Searching for meaning*. (Completed in 2000 & published).

Omeri A & Ahern M (1998) *Utilizing culturally congruent strategies to enhance recruitment and retention of Australian Indigenous nursing students*. Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney, NSW, Australia. (Completed & published in the *Journal of TCN* in 1999 and in CATSIN conference proceedings).

Brooke D & Omeri A (1996) *Culture care theory and childhood immunization with Lebanese Muslim immigrants in NSW*. Honor's thesis research. Completed in 1996. The candidate being the first student to receive 1st class honor at the Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney, Australia (completed & published).

Omeri A & Gorevski K (1992-1993) *Culture care of Macedonian immigrants in NSW: significance in nursing practice*. This mini-ethnonursing study focused on folk and traditional practices of Macedonians. Sydney, Australia (Unpublished).

Omeri A (1991) *Survey of faculties and schools of nursing to determine status of Transcultural nursing in nursing curricula*. A preliminary study in support of my doctoral studies (unpublished but reported in several surveys) Completed in 1992.

Theses:

Omeri A (1996) *Transcultural nursing care values, beliefs and practices of Iranian immigrants in NSW Australia*. Doctoral thesis, Faculty of Nursing (Cumberland College of Health Sciences, the University of Sydney, NSW, Australia) (**Completed in 1996 with multiple publications in refereed journal and conference proceedings since 1997**).

Omeri A (1966) *A study investigating changes in the social & educational status of women and their implications for the development of the nursing profession in Iran*. Unpublished master's thesis, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, USA.

Postgraduate Research Supervision

Supervision of PhD candidates:

Principal Supervisor: 1998-2003

Raymond L (The University of Sydney, Faculty of Nursing) *An ethnonursing study of 'Mauritian immigrant's beliefs, values and care practices towards health and well-being in relation to pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium within Leininger's theory of culture care diversity and universality*. (Research Grant of \$A20,000.00 from the RCNA). PhD awarded in 2004.

Principal supervisor: 1998-2003

Prior, D. *A study of Australian Aboriginal women's perception of cancer pain*, investigating the impact of decolonization on the health and well-being of Aborigines. This research received a research grant (\$A15,000.00) from the (National Nursing Fellowship TCNPAUR Memorial Fellowship). The study utilized Leininger's CCT and Ethnonursing Research Methods.

1998-2003: Principal Supervisor

Lovering, S. (Jeddah, Saudi Arabia) *'The meaning of care in Islam'*. 'Distance Mode'/Online Supervision). I supervised the major part of the research with continuous feedback to candidate until 2002.

1998-2003: Principal Supervisor

Brice, H. *Mental illness and Vietnamese people. A phenomenological study: the experience of perceiving spiritual phenomena: Implications for mental health nursing*.

1998-1999

Principal Supervisor

Student from New Zealand- (discontinued due to illness).

Transcultural nursing study in a PHC setting with Maori in NZ. The student completed her MN and began her PhD candidacy then withdrew due to illness. (Principal supervisor all through from MN to PhD).

Supervision of Bachelor Honors: Principal Supervisor

2009: Principal Supervisor

BN Honors (Ruth Mychael), Notre Dame University, School of Nursing, Darlinghurst Campus, Sydney, NSW. *A mini ethnonursing study of 'Parents of Sudanese Children's Lived Experiences of the NSW Health Care System* (Principal Supervisor). The project received human ethical approval but remains incomplete.

2005-1996: BN Honors, Principal Supervisor
(Deborah Brooke).

An ethnonursing study *Culture-care theory and childhood immunization with Lebanese Muslim immigrants in NSW*. Attained 1st class honors, Degree awarded in June 1996 The research was published in 1996.

Supervision of Master of Nursing (MN):

2002: Literature review:

Transcultural Nursing Care in Pregnancy and Childbirth in Japan. In 2004, the student, a PhD candidate at St. Luke's College of Nursing, Japan sought supervision. Principal supervisor since 2005. MN Awarded in 2002.

1998: Literature review:

Transcultural nursing care values and beliefs relating to end of life practices of elderly Italians. In partial requirement towards completion of Master of Nursing by coursework. MN awarded in 1998 (Thesis examiner).

1994: Literature review:

Women and HIV Aids in Botswana. In partial requirement for Master of Nursing by coursework. MN Awarded in 1994 (Thesis examiner).

1993: Literature review:

Discharge planning and diagnosis related groups (DRG's): Implications for nursing practice. In partial requirement toward completion of a MN by course work. MN Awarded in 1994 (Principal supervisor)

1993: Scholarly essay

Breast feeding the low birth weight infant. (2nd examiner).

GRANTS AWARDED:

- 2002 Omeri, A. \$25,000.00**
Research Grant, Western Sydney Area Health: Transcultural Mental Health to conduct research on "access to and appropriateness of mental and physical health services for Afghan immigrant communities in NSW, Australia.
- 2002 Omeri, A. \$1500.00**
Travel Grant, Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney. To attend and present paper at the International conference: *Traditions, evidence and innovations in nursing, 21-23/03/02 Phuket Thailand*.
- 2000 Omeri, A. \$ 5,320.00**
Travel grant, University of Sydney, *Special Studies Leave in UK*. University of Central England, DeMontfort University, Leicester, and Middlesex University.
- 1997 Omeri, A. \$2,000.00**
Travel grant, Royal College of Nursing, Australia. This grant was to support conference presentation and attendance at the 23rd Transcultural Nursing Conference in Kuopio, Finland June 9-12 1997.
- 1997 Omeri, A. \$3,632.00**
Travel Grant, Nurse's Registration Board, NSW. To support travel and conference attendance at the 23rd Transcultural Nursing Conference in Kuopio, Finland June 9-12 1997.
- 1996 Omeri, A. \$1,200.00**
Travel grant, The University of Sydney, Faculty of Nursing, to present a research paper at the 22nd Transcultural Nursing Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, October 1996, USA.

1994 Omeri, A. \$5,753.00

Travel grant to assist with my doctoral Research: SSP Leave for six months commencing in June 1994. This grant was to enable me to study with Professor Leininger. Centre for Nursing Research (Cumberland Campus) Research Grant, The University of Sydney.

1992-1993 Omeri, A. \$3,000.00

In support of a research project investigating "Culture care of Macedonian migrants". Centre for Nursing Research (Cumberland Campus) Research Grant. The University of Sydney.

1992 Omeri, A. \$1,700.00

Travel grant in support of study & continuing education. *Attending Summer Special Post-Master's Course in Transcultural Nursing, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, USA.* Centre for Nursing Research (Cumberland Campus) Research Grant. The University of Sydney.

Recent Examination of Research Theses: External Examiner:

University of Wollongong (2010) *Adaptation processes of Japanese Nurses in Australia.* A PhD thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the Master of Nursing Research. University of Wollongong, School of Nursing and Midwifery & Indigenous Health, Faculty of Health & Behavioral Sciences (Degree awarded pending incorporation of comments under guidance of Supervisor).

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University of Technology (2001) *A substantive Theory of Struggling with Advancing Cancer until Death Among Adult People of Chinese Origin in the Australian Context.* PhD thesis submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of PhD in Nursing (Doctor of Philosophy), The University of Technology Sydney, School of Nursing, Faculty of Nursing, Midwifery & Health. (Degree awarded).

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Raymond L & Omeri A (2015). Transcultural Midwifery: Culture Care for Mauritian Immigrant Childbearing Families Living in New South Wales, Australia. In M M McFarland & H B Wehbe-Alamah (2013). (authors & editors). *Culture Care Diversity and Universality: A Worldwide Nursing Theory*, (3 edn). (Chapter 7), Jones and Bartlett Learning, Burlington, MA.

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Omeri A (1991a) Educating nurses in multicultural Australia. Survey of faculties/schools of nursing (Unpublished).

Omeri A (1992b) *Culture care theory with aged Yugoslav migrants in an inner city community, New South Wales, Australia* (unpublished) (Term project toward completion of a

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Omeri A, Berry A (1996) Book review: Leininger, M. (1995). *Transcultural nursing: concepts, theories, research, and practices*, (2nd edn.). Columbus, OH: McGraw Hill/Greyden Press. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 7(2): 37-42.

Additional Publications:

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Omeri A (2006) Nursing EXPO 2006, Feature article on Transcultural Nursing, *Sydney Morning Herald, Health & Science*, and May 11 2006:10.

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Omeri A (2006) Study into Racism in Nursing. *Nursing Review*. February 2006.

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Omeri A (2004) Beyond Asylum: with Nooria Mehraby reporting on services provided by Services for the Treatment and Rehabilitations of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS) relating to Afghan Refugees in NSW. *Nursing Review* April 2004.

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Omeri A (2005) Retaining immigrant nurses in the Australian nursing workforce. *Connections: RCNA Newsletter*, 8 (1): 36 & 41.

Omeri A (2004) Connecting cultural competence to care: An inquiry in to the state of culturally competent nursing care in Australia. *Connections: RCNA Newsletter*, 7(2): 34-35.

Omeri A (2004) Transcultural nursing: Where from here? *Connections: RCNA Newsletter*, 7(1): 35.

Other articles/papers and media/television appearances:

2006 Omeri A (2006) Invited by RCNA to interview for Nursing Expo 2006 on Transcultural Nursing. The interview was published in the *Sydney Morning Herald*-section on Health and Science, May 11, 2006:10.

- 1996 Omeri A (1996) RCNA – TCN SOCIETY was highlighted as orchestrating two major events including the 2nd International TCN 2000 Conference *Transcultural nursing: new pathways, new ventures*, on the Gold Coast Australia. This conference was replacing the 26th Annual TCN research conference of the TCN Society Global.
- 1996 Omeri A (1996) Book launch: *Transcultural Nursing in Multicultural Australia*. The first book (monograph) in Australia on Transcultural nursing edited by Akram Omeri & Elizabeth Cameron-Traub was launched by Dr Andrew Refshague, NSW Minister for Health. The book published by the RCNA.
- 1995 Omeri A (1995) Invited article titled A bedside manner to transcend borders. *Sydney University News*, 27(9) April 26, 1995.

SIGNIFICANT REPORTS:

- 2007 Omeri A (2007) *Report & Recommendations based upon observations & experiences: reflection on experience*. Prepared upon request by Dean Suhair, President and Dean at Dar Al Hekma College, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
- 2003 Omeri A, Lennings C & Raymond L (2003) *Access to and appropriateness of physical and mental health services for the Afghan immigrant community in NSW Australia*. Research report to the Western Sydney Area Health and Transcultural Mental Health, October 2003.
- 2001 Omeri A (2001) Draft report: *Response to Inquiry by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Training & Youth Affairs (DEST)*. Review of the multicultural aspects of nursing education for the National Review of Nursing Education, 2001. (Contributors: J. Fisher, Sue Forsyth, Michele Travers & Dr Sheila Van Holst).
- 2000 Omeri A (2000) Study Report, Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney. During study leave I undertook visits to Universities of Central England, Birmingham, DeMontfort University in Leicester and Centre for Transcultural Nursing Research at Middlesex. The report was published and is available at Fisher Library, Cumberland College of Health Sciences Library, Mallett Street Library and the library at DeMontfort University in Leicester, UK.
- 2004 Omeri A (1994). Study Report, School of Nursing, Cumberland College of Health Sciences, The University of Sydney. During t study leave I visited and examined existing TCN programs at a number of Schools of Nursing in the USA. Published and available at all relevant libraries and The University of Sydney, NSW.
- 1991 Jones FM, Plymat K, Rice V, Omeri A & Troup C (1991). *Australian Databank System: Nurses & Nursing in Primary Health Care*. WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing Development in Primary Health Care. Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney NSW.

Copies of all above reports are available at Cumberland College of Health Sciences, Fisher and Mallett Street libraries.

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- 1995 Omeri A (1995) *On Transcultural Nursing in Australia*. Video/interview prepared by SBS Television, with permission, The University of Sydney, NSW.

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KEYNOTES INVITATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS, ABSTRACTS:

- 2013 Omeri A (2013) Invited/attending 39th Annual Conference of The TCN Society in Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA October 23-26 2013. The Theme of the conference: Transcultural Nursing: Relationships for Health Locally, Nationally and Internationally. Presenting a paper titled: Advancing Transcultural Nursing through collaboration (with special tribute to Madeleine Leininger and Anna Francis Wenger).
- 2010 Omeri A (2010) Invitation by Professor M Leininger, to attend a reception and tour of the Archives of Caring in Nursing, held at Christine E. Lynn, College of Nursing, Florida Atlantic University, Florida, USA, April 16/2010.
- 2006 Omeri A (2006) Invited: Keynote-Closing address, Annual TCN Society Conference, Annapolis, MD. November 1-4 2006. (Received travel funds \$US2500) from Dar Al Hekma College in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
- 2006 Omeri A (2006a) invited: School of Nursing, Dar Al Hekma College, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to visit the College and present a series of workshops on transcultural nursing, April 10-12, 2006.
- 2006 Omeri A (2006b) Invited: School Nurses Association of NSW Annual Conference 'Puberty, Pain, Privacy' January 23-24th St. Joseph College, Hunters Hill, NSW. Presented a paper on 'Transcultural nursing: Pathways to improve care to culturally and linguistically diverse students.
- 2006 Yukari Fujiwara, Maumi Katagiri & Akram Omeri (2006c) Supporting people from diverse cultural background during childbirth in Japan. Poster presentation at 32nd Annual TCN Conference *Enhancing health care through transcultural nursing*, November 1-4, Annapolis, Maryland, Washington DC. Invited to support students in their presentations.
- 2005 Omeri A (2005a) Diversity in Health 2005. Hilton on the Park, Melbourne. To make presence during the launch of the book/monograph 'Beyond asylum: The Afghan Experience. October 17-19.
- 2005 Omeri A (2005b) *Beyond equal opportunity: immigrant nurses speak out*. Invited to present at the Council for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (CATSIN) Nurses annual conference titled: Unity & Strength through Caring, September 28-30. Ridges Lakeside Canberra (**abstract published**).
- 2005 Yukari Fujiwara, Maumi Katagiri, Akram Omeri & Naomi Kato (2005) *Health care interpreting at childbirth in Japan: Caring for people from diverse cultures*. Joint paper presented at the 27th Triennial Congress, International Confederation of Midwives. Brisbane, Queensland. The research is based in Japan at Kanagawa University of Human Resources. I reviewed the conference paper and encouraged all involved to attend the conference and present (**abstract published**).
- 2005 Omeri A (2005d) *Beyond equal opportunity: immigrant nurses speak out*. Invited to present at the 23rd Quadrennial Congress titled: Nursing on the move: Knowledge, innovation and vitality, Taipei Taiwan, 21-27 May (**abstract published**).
- 2005 Omeri A (2005e) Submitted abstract 'Connecting cultural competence and care: An inquiry into the views and perceptions of nurses in practice in Australia' Accepted for

- presentation at the Centennial Scientific Conference: Hundred years of nursing education (June 30-July 2nd 2005), School of Nursing, The American University of Beirut Lebanon (**abstract published**).
- 2005 Omeri A (2005f) Submitted abstract "*Beyond asylum: Issues of significance to nursing and health care relating to physical and mental health of Afghan refugees in NSW Australia*. For presentation during the 31th Annual Transcultural Nursing Research Conference in New York, 19-22nd October 2005 (**abstract published**).
- 2004 Lennings C & Omeri A (2004a) NSW Institute of Psychiatry Annual Conference: Trauma: Responses across the life span conference, Panel Discussion. NSW. Joint paper presented on: *Hardiness and coping in asylum seekers*. Institute of Psychiatry. NSW Australia. 16-17 September (**abstract published**).
- 2004 Omeri A (2004b) *Leadership and mentoring in nursing*. Sponsored by the University of Western Sydney, School of Nursing, Family and Community Health, The Xi Omicron Chapter, of Sigma Theta Tau International and the Greater Western Areas of Sydney Nursing Alliance. Citigate Sebel Sydney, 6-7 July 2004 (attended the conference).
- 2004 Omeri A (2004c) Invited and participated in two days Forum *Ethics of refugee research*. Conference, Macquarie University, 22-23 June 2004.
- 2004 Omeri A (2004d) Invited to present keynote address during 30th Annual Transcultural Nursing Research Conference in Alicante Spain, June 2004.
- 2003 Omeri A (2003a) Dedication to Madeleine Leininger presented during the 2003 Transcultural Nursing Conference, San Antonio, Texas during the 29th Annual Transcultural Nursing Society Annual Research Conference, October, 15: 1
- 2003 Omeri A (2003b) *Diversity Health Institute: Planning day*, Novotel Hotel, Sydney Olympic Park, July 2003.
- 2002 Omeri A (2002a) *Culture care of Iranian immigrant in NSW, Australia: meeting the challenges of diversity*. Paper presented at the international conference on *Traditions, Evidence and Innovations in Nursing*, Phuket Thailand, March 21-23 (paper published in *Hoitotiede-Journal of Nursing Science*, Finland).
- 2002 Omeri A (2002b) Invited to share and address the conference plenary at the 28th Annual Conference, Transcultural Nursing Society, Toronto Canada. October 16-19th on a *TCN focus issue-a Passion* during the general session on the morning of the 19 October 2002 (abstract published).
- 2002 Omeri A (2002c) *Lived experiences of immigrant nurses in NSW, Australia: searching for meaning*. Abstract accepted for presentation at the 28th Annual Conference, Transcultural Nursing Society, Toronto Canada. October 16-19th. (**abstract published**).
- 2002 Omeri A (2002d). Paper presented on "*Flexible learning mode: New approach in course development & teaching transcultural nursing*" at the 28th Annual Conference, Transcultural Nursing Society, Toronto Canada. October 16-19th (**abstract published**).
- 2001 Omeri A (2001) Invited to be part of an international panel of Transcultural nurses during the International Congress of Nursing, June 2001 in Copenhagen, Denmark.

My presentation on 'Culture Care of Iranian immigrants in NSW, Australia' was presented in absentia by Professor Leininger on June 12th 2001 (**abstract published**). I could not make presence due to work commitments.

- 2000 Omeri A (2000a) Invited Keynote Address- *Where is Australia going in Transcultural nursing in the New Millennium? Reflections*. Plenary paper presented at the 26th Annual Transcultural Nursing Conference (4-6 October, 2000) Legend Hotel, Gold Coast, Australia (published as a book chapter in Leininger & McFarland 2002). (A collaborative conference between RCNA and TCN Society, proposed by Dr A Omeri.
- 2000 Omeri A (2000b). *Culture care of aged Iranian immigrants in NSW, Australia: Implications for nursing care*. Paper presented at the 26th Annual Transcultural Nursing Conference (4-6 October, 2000) Legend Hotel, Gold Coast, Australia (**abstract published**).
- 2000 Omeri A (2000c) Invited Keynote Address on "Where are our culturally diverse nursing students and clinicians in Australia? Issues and strategies", Presented at Nursing Innovation Seminar: Diversity in Nursing. The 7th Nursing Innovation Seminar on Celebrating Diversity in Nursing. South Eastern Sydney Area Health Service Nursing Council. August 10, 2000 (**abstract Published**).
- 1998 Omeri A (1998a) *Response to the 1998 International Leininger Award presented at the 24th Transcultural Nursing Annual Research Conference*, held at Secaucus, New Jersey, October 1998. This short address has been published in *Journal of TCN* (**published**).
- 1998 Omeri A (1998b) Conducted a session on Transcultural Nursing at the RCNA1998 Brisbane Convention-titled as 'How do the pieces fit? Nursing practice for a culturally diverse nation, May 20-21st, (**published**).
- 1997 Omeri A (1997a) *Meanings, Expressions and Experiences of Care of Iranian Immigrants in NSW, with the use of Leininger's Culture Care Theory*. Paper presented at the Transcultural Nursing Conference: New Pathways, New Ventures. Sponsored and hosted by the TCN Society of the RCNA. December 2-5 1997 at Novotel Hotel, Brighton La Sand, NSW (**abstract published**).
- 1997 Omeri A (1997b) *Care: What it means to Iranian immigrants in New South Wales, Australia*. Paper presented at the 23rd Transcultural Nursing Society-USA. Conference, 23rd Transcultural Nursing Annual Research Conference 1997. *Transcultural nursing-Global Unifier of Care, Facing Diversity with Unity*. Kuopio, Finland. June 12-14 (**published in the Journal of Nursing Science in Finland**).
- 1996 Omeri A (1996). *Transcultural nursing and Iranian immigrants in New South Wales, Australia*. Paper presented at the 22nd Annual Conference of the Transcultural Nursing Society, on *Health Issues in Migration: A Transcultural Nursing Perspective*. St. Louis, Missouri, USA (**abstract & paper published**).
- 1993 Khavarpour F & Omeri A (1993a) Joint paper presentation on *Multiculturalism and Diversity in Health Care: Do our decision makers understand the rhetoric?* Presented at the 2nd National Conference, Health for Multicultural Australia. The University of Sydney (**paper published in conference proceeding**).
- 1993 Omeri A (1993b) *Culture Care Assessment: an essential Domain in Nursing Practice*. 2nd National Transcultural Nursing Conference, Cumberland College of

Health Sciences, School of Nursing. The University of Sydney (Cumberland Campus)
(paper published in proceedings).

1992 Omeri A (1992) *Teaching Transcultural Nursing Theory, Concepts, and Principles in Schools of Nursing. Conference by Transcultural Nursing Society and Golden West College, Continuing Education for Health Professionals.* The Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, CA. June 19-20

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1993 Omeri A (1991-1993) *Culture Care in Pregnancy and Child Birth.* Series of sessions/papers presented by invitation at the Annual Childbirth Educators Course, a multidisciplinary participant group, The University of Sydney (Cumberland Campus).

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