CANDIDATES

REGIONAL COORDINATOR MIDDLE EAST (ELECT ONE FOR YOUR REGION)



Sujatha Shanmugasudaram PhD, RN, RM, GCTE



Dr. Sujatha Shanmugasundaram is an experienced international academic and researcher with a solid global alliance in community health nursing, palliative care nursing, nursing education, and aged care nursing, to mention a few.

Dr. Shanmugasundaram has been an active member of Sigma since 2005. She has held as a leader in several chapters. Currently, she is a North America Region 1 Coordinator. Recently, she served as a Treasurer of the Mu Nu Chapter for 3 years. Since then, she was committed to helping Sigma's mission, advancing world health, and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service.

In addition, Dr. Shanmugasundaram held an Extra-ordinary Research Chair position with The Honour Nursing Society of Eta Pi Chapter, Wisconsin University, Oshkosh, the USA, for the two consecutive terms from 2012-2016. Dr. Shanmugasundaram also one of the key persons of the Board of Directors of Victorian-Tasmanian at-Large Honor Society of Nursing at Melbourne, Australia. She actively engages with the current project in developing a chapter. She organized an induction ceremony and professional development day in June 2015 at Victoria University, a grant success. She played a significant contribution in recruiting the members of the society and currently sitting 136 members in 2 years.

Dr. Shanmugasundaram has been playing a vital role as Global Ambassador of Sigma for the past 3 years. As an Ambassador, she traveled internationally to few universities in the Middle East and promoted the Sigma to academics. She made a considerable contribution in creating global visibility to the nursing community across the world.

Her passion for the nursing profession is countless, and she contributed a lot through evidence-based practice in her teaching, research, and clinical practice globally. She is a very dynamic and enthusiastic person and strives to move forward with Dr. Ricciardi's slogan of infusing joy locally, regionally, and globally, especially during this pandemic.

As a Sigma Regional Coordinator, Middle East Region (2021-2023), Dr. Shanmugasundaram will focus on:

- A global initiative to become a member;
- Promoting network through professional development programs;
- Strengthening an international alliance with nurses, academics and researchers;
- Recruiting and retaining members across the globe.