

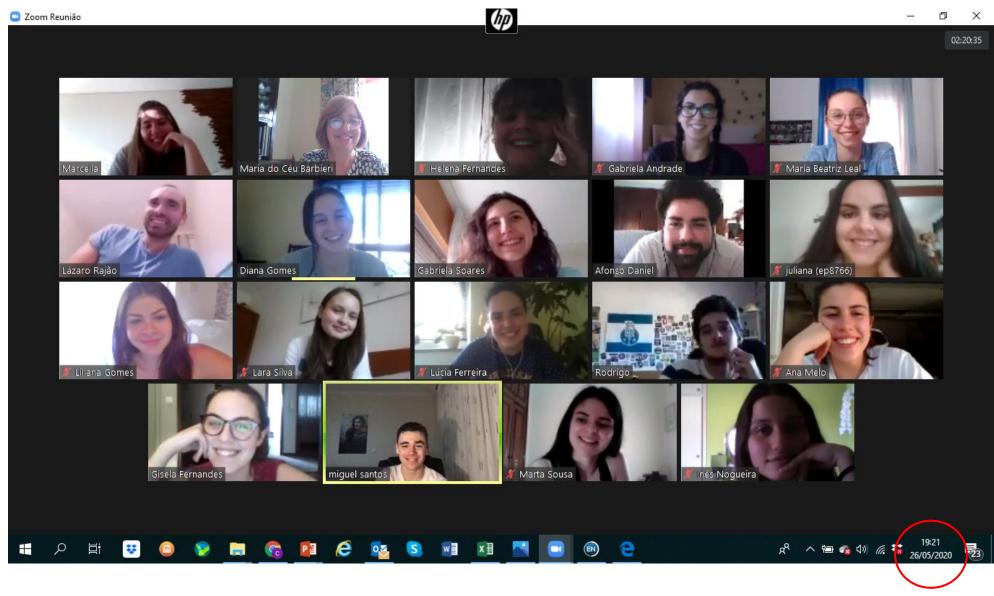
# LESSONS TO TAKE AWAY FROM COVID 19 PANDEMIC IN NURSING EDUCATION

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"COVID-19 is an ongoing crisis; it is a real-time lesson in equity, leadership, social justice, ethics, and patient care." (Dewart, Corcoran, Thirsk & Petrovic, 2020)

## Flexibility in policies in nursing education

- Remote teaching and assessment acknowledged in undergraduate nursing education:
  - COVID-19 pandemic as a catalyst for sustained usage of "new" learning technologies
  - Opportunity to quickly develop digital literacy skills to deliver synchronous and/or asynchronous classes
  - Requirements for clinical practice hours

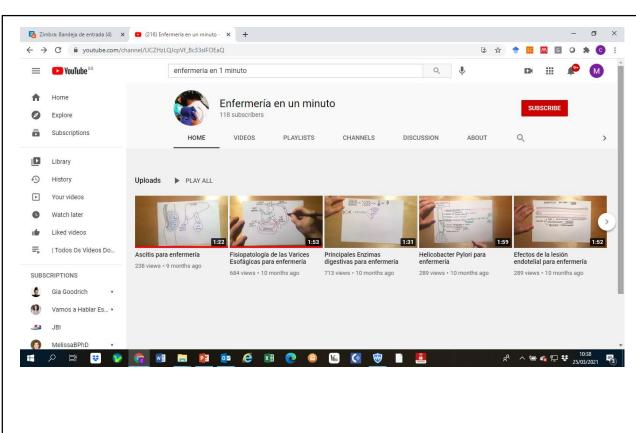


### Accountability

- Increase in student-centered, self-directed learning
- Development of students' critical thinking skills
- Teachers as facilitators of the learning process
- Development of creativity of educators and students

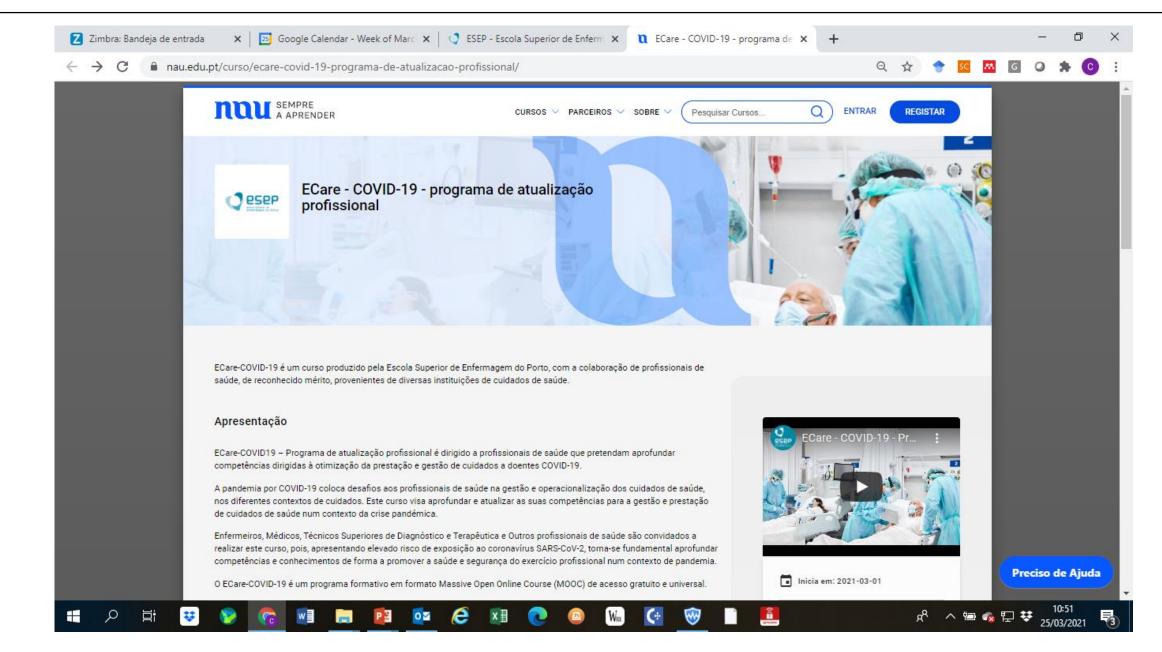


"one year of technological push can do more to transform educational processes than 20 years of the Bologna Process" Ferreira, 2021





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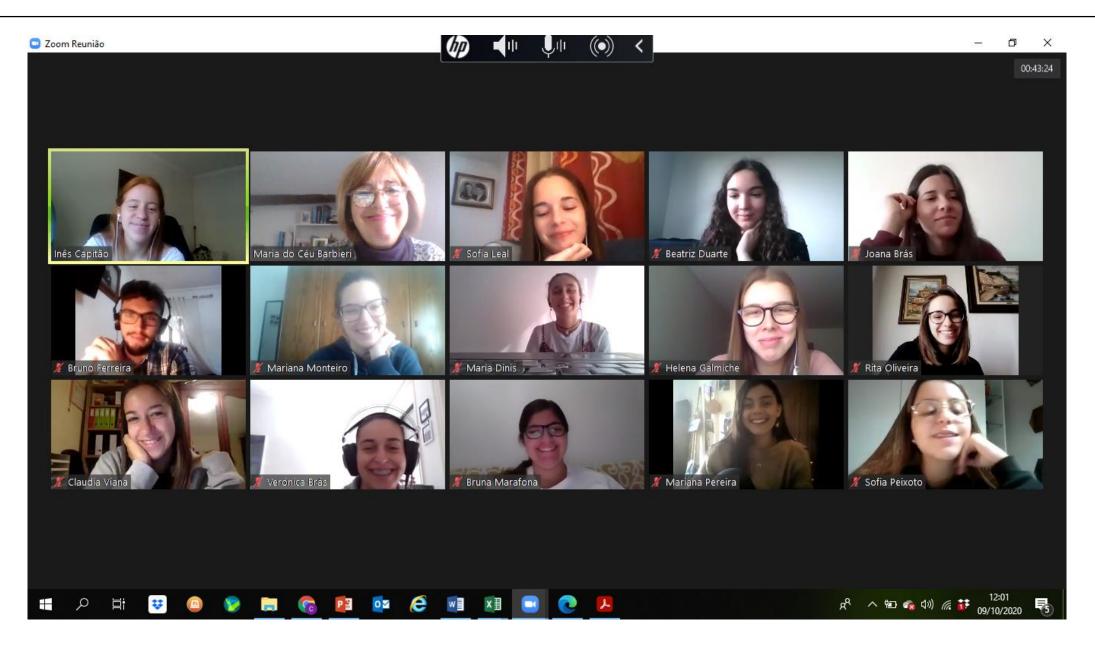


https://www.nau.edu.pt/curso/ecare-covid-19-programa-de-atualizacao-profissional/

#### Team work, collaboration and communication

Zoom's 'breakout room' feature enabled small-group communication, facilitating collaborative learning

- Problem Based Learning as a strategy used more often
- More introverted students have new forms to interact in ways other than oral communication (eg chat, email, support platforms)
- Strengthening peer support (eg peer mentorship)



ESEP's Peer mentorship program

### Time management and selfcare

- Less time spent to travel to Nursing School (undergraduate and postgraduate students)
- Improved attendance and punctuality
- Healthy life style
- Family quality time

### Challenges for nursing education

- Review of pedagogical frameworks in both in theoretical classes and in clinical teaching;
- Improvement of multimedia: e-resources of high quality;
- Development of simulation platforms for clinical skills learning and assessment;
- Increase of content of Primary Health Care in undergraduate nursing education: social determinants of health, health promotion, health literacy, noncommunicable diseases, infectious diseases and the nurse's role in planetary health;
- Development of new strategies to encourage students exchange and network in times of reduced mobility.

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