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## Quick Facts

- Guilbaud has spent more than 15 years leading, developing, and supporting global human capacity building and health information system projects both in the public and private sectors.
- Founded in 1995, Worldwide Fistula Fund strategically partners with local organizations and institutions to enable Africans to solve their own problems in meeting their women's health care needs.



Patrick Guilbaud

SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS – **Patrick Guilbaud**, director of extended education and Summer School and an associate professor at Winthrop University, was recently elected to the **Worldwide Fistula Fund** Board of Directors.

**Guilbaud** has spent more than 15 years leading, developing, and supporting **global human capacity building** and **health information system projects** both in the public and private sectors. He will use his experience in global health to further the organization's mission to protect and restore the health and dignity of the world's most vulnerable women by preventing and treating childbirth injuries.

Founded in 1995, **Worldwide Fistula Fund** strategically partners with local organizations and institutions to enable Africans to solve their own problems in meeting their **women's health care needs**. The organization supports girls and women while they are recovering and building new lives.

Although **childbirth injuries** like obstetric fistula are both preventable and treatable, an estimated one million girls and women currently suffer from this injury in the developing world. In addition to treatment, the organization provides social reintegration services and promotes prevention through community health advocacy training to improve the overall safety of childbirth.

**Guilbaud**, who is originally from Haiti, currently leads the development and roll-out of Winthrop academic programs that meet the needs of post-traditional students (adult learners, veterans and working professionals) seeking to advance their careers. He also examines the benefits and challenges associated with greater use of digital educational resources to improve human performance and promote social change. **Guilbaud** has led, participated, and collaborated on education and human capacity building projects at the local, regional and global levels.

**Guilbaud** earned his graduate degrees in business, systems engineering and instructional technology at the University of Virginia. He also holds a bachelor's degree in business administration, finance concentration, from the University of Florida.

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