How to Plan, Prepare for, and Maximize an International Health Rotation

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Saturday, July 31
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

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1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Room 2208

AAFP
Baptist Medical Dental Fellowship

**Hubert Trust Scholarship** for medical students
(varying scholarship sizes)
2-6 week health electives
4209 Royal Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73108
www.bmdf.org/scholarships
(405) 606-7027

**Benjamin H. Kean Traveling Fellowship in Tropical Medicine**
Medical students interested in research or clinical electives in tropical countries
Round-trip airfare plus $700 expenses
One-month or longer
Application deadline; March 3rd
http://www.astmh.org/source/award/index.cfm

**CMDA**
Christian Medical and Dental Association (CMDA)

**James S. Westra Memorial Endowment Fund**
500$ scholarship to 4th year medical students

**Johnson Short Term Medical Missions Fund**
1000$ scholarship (2000$ for married couple) for residents or fellows

**Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Steury Medical Student Scholarship Fund** and **CMDA**
Medical student scholarship fund for medical students pursuing a career in medical missions; 25K/year
PO Box 7500
Bristol, TN 37621-7500
Debra Dayton, Executive Assistant, (423) 844-1000
debra@cmda.org
www.cmda.org

**Global Health Ministries**
6-8 recipients/year (Lutheran member or participating at a Lutheran medical ministry)
1000$/year
6 weeks minimum
Global Health Ministries
7831 Hickory Street, NE
Minneapolis, MN 55432-2500
Tel: 763-586-9590
Fax: 763-586-9591
Email: ghmoffice@cs.com

**International Mission Board** (Southern Baptist Convention)
8-10 recipients/year
100% of round trip travel and living stipend
Personnel Selection Department
3806 Monument Ave,
Richmond, VA 23230-0767
800-999-3113

**Infectious Disease Society of America Medical Scholars Program**
Award: $2000
Length: One to three months
Eligibility: Medical Students
Type of Work: Research or clinical work in infectious diseases
Deadline for submission: Early March

**International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA) Exchange Program**
The IFMSA is a student-run organization arranging over 800 international exchanges for medical students each year. Usually bilateral exchanges are arranged, although unilateral programs are possible.
No scholarships but reduction in living expenses abroad.
USA-International Health Program
Institute of International Health
B-301 West Fee Hall,
Michigan State University East Lansing, MI 48824
(517) 353-8992
scored@ifmsa.org

**Medical Assistance Program (MAP) International Fellowship Program**
4th year medical students or residents
Minimum 8 weeks abroad (six weeks for residents)
100% airfare costs
March 1st application deadline
Medical Fellowship Coordinator
4700 Glynco Parkway
Brunswick, GA 31525
bbohl@map.org
Phone: (912) 280-6667

**Mennonite Medical Association**

**Medical/Dental Student Elective Term (SET)**
through the Mobilization for Mission Fund
4th year medical students rotation at MMA approved site
75% of round trip airfare
183 Grandview Drive
Harrisonburg, VA
(540) 433-5059
sajmma@aol.com
www.mennmed.org

**The Rotary Foundation**
3 month minimum commitment
(Primary purpose is to learn host language)
Travel and living stipend
The Rotary Foundation
**Ambassadorial Scholarships Program**
1560 Sherman Ave.
Evanston, IL 60201
847/ 866 3000

**University International Education Departments**
Private foundation and scholarships available for international health rotations; depends on university. Examples include:

University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Public Health
**William Randolph Hearst Scholarship**
US minority medical students pursuing public health
Oregon Health Sciences (several global health/travel awards)
NON-TRADITIONAL SOURCES:

**Sister City Organizations**
Dynamic Sister City relationships can be the source of reciprocal programs, homestays, etc. which, when tied to an international elective, can significantly reduce its cost. To locate a contact for a program in your city or to initiate a Sister City relationship, request information from Sister Cities International.
Sister Cities International
120 South Payne Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
Telephone: 703-836-3535

**Partners of the Americas**
Partners of the Americas is the largest private, voluntary organization in the Western hemisphere engaged in economic and social development and technical training. The organization works by pairing US states and the District of Columbia with regions and countries of Latin America and the Caribbean in "partnerships." For example, Kansas is linked with Paraguay and New Jersey with Haiti. The partnerships partake in exchanges and organize development projects determined by local needs. These projects have included maternal/child health and nutrition, immunizations, AIDS prevention and education, and drug abuse prevention. In some instances, medical students have been approved to participate in these projects. Airfare is usually furnished for approved participants and either homestays are provided or low-cost room and board is available.
Partners of the Americas
1424 K Street, NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20005
Telephone: 202-628-3300
Fax: 202-628-3306

**Local and Regional Chapters of Professional Organizations**
Most medical and allied health sciences professions have their own professional organizations. A well-written proposal directed to the appropriate group may receive a positive response. For instance, the Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians’ Foundation has designated funds for several partial scholarships for students anticipating participation in a medical missions trip. Eligible students must be enrolled in a Nebraska medical school and have an interest in family practice.

**Local and Regional Corporations**
National corporations often receive many requests for funding, while local corporations are more accessible and can become more personally involved. A local corporation may consider awarding a grant or a scholarship as part of its public relations efforts.

**Local and Regional Foundations**
A locally or regionally based foundation may offer assistance to a student whose international elective is related to the foundation's mission.
Guides to Voluntary International Service
Both medical and non-medical

Alternatives to the Peace Corps: A Directory of Third World & US Volunteer Opportunities, (1998) Food First Books, Institute for Food and Development Policy, 398 60th Street Oakland, CA 94618 Tel: (510) 654-4400 (800) 888-3314

Are You Ready to Volunteer?, Transitions Abroad, PO Box 344. Amherst, MA 01004.

CONNECTIONS: A Directory of Lay Volunteer Service Opportunities 1998. St. Vincent Pallotti Center, P.O. Box 893 Cardinal Station, Washington, D.C. 20064; (202) 529-3330


The Directory of Work and Study in Developing Countries, from: Vacation Work, 9 Park End Street, Oxford OX1 1HJ
International Health / Tropical Medicine Training Centers

USA

Boston University School of Public Health Dept. of International Health, 715 Albany St. Boston, MA 02218 Tel: (617) 638-5234 Fax: (617) 638-4476 Web: www.bumc.bu.edu/sph/index.htm Center for International Health Email: cih@bu.edu

*Case Western Reserve University Center for International Health 10900 Euclid Avenue Cleveland, OH 44106-4978 Tel: (216) 368-6321 Fax: (216) 368-8664 Web: ora.ra.cwru.edu/Geomed/intlhlth/CIH.htm Email: tmd5@po.cwru.edu

*Gorgas Memorial Institute University of Alabama Gorgas Memorial Institute, 1530 3rd Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35294-0109 Tel (205) 934-5539 Fax (205) 975-6460 Email: timman@uab.edu Web: phealth.soph.uab.edu/gorgas/

Harvard University School of Public Health 677 Huntington Avenue Boston, MA 02115 Tel: (617) 432-4515 Fax: (617) 432-1323 Web: www.hsph.harvard.edu

*Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health 615 North Wolfe St. Baltimore, MD 21205 Tel: (410) 955-3543 Fax: (410) 955-0464 Web: www.jhsph.edu/ Email: admiss@jhsph.edu

Tulane University School of Public Health & Tropical Medicine* 1501 Canal St. New Orleans, LA 70112 Tel: (800) 676-5389 Web: www.sph.tulane.edu

*Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences Division of Tropical & Public Health 4301 Jones Bridge Road Bethesda, MD 20814-4799 Tel: (301) 295-3170 (Dr. Laughlin)

University of Arizona College of Medicine, International Health: Clinical and Community Care http://www.globalhealth.arizona.edu

*University of Virginia Dept. of Infectious Diseases, Building MR4, Room 2115 Charlottesville, VA 22908 Tel: (804) 924-5167 Fax: (804) 924-0075 Email: bjmzr@virginia.edu

*West Virginia University International Health Program, Byrd Health Sciences Center, PO Box 9164 Morgantown, WV 26506 Tel: (304) 293-5916

Europe

Christian Medical Fellowship 157 Waterloo Road London SE1 8XN, UK Tel: +44 (0) 171 928 4694 Fax: +44 (0) 171 620 2453 Web: www.cmf.org.uk

International Health Exchange (IHE) 8-10 Dryden Street London WC2E 9NA, UK Tel: +44 (0) 171 836 5833 Fax:+44 (0) 171 379 1239 Web: www.ihe.org.uk

Prince Leopold Institute of Tropical Medicine (ITM)155 Nationale Strasse 200 Antwerp, Belgium. Web: www.itg.be/itg/

*Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine Pembroke Place, Liverpool L3 5QA, UK Tel: +44 (0) 1222 874794 Fax: +44 (0) 1222 874372 Web: www.liv.ac.uk/lstm

*London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine Registry, Keppel Street, London WC1E 7HT, UK Tel: +44 (0) 171 927 2314 Fax: +44 (0) 171 323 0638 Web: www.lshtm.ac.uk

RedR (Engineers for Disaster Relief) 1 Gt. George St. London, SW1P 3AA, UK Tel: +44 (0) 171 323 3116 Fax: +44 (0) 171 233 0564 Web: www.redr.org

Swiss Tropical Institute Course Secretariat, PO Box CH 4002 Basel, Switzerland. Tel: +41 61 284 82 80 Fax: +41 61 284 81 06 E-mail: courses-sti@unibas.ch Web: www.sti.ch

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