

2010

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

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

Saturday, July 31
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Room 2208



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 Deyton, 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

IDSA AWARDS

1300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 300
Arlington, VA 22209
(888) 844-4372
rdotson@idsociety.org
www.idsociety.org

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.

Local and Regional Chapters of Civic Organizations

Area chapters of the Lions Club, Jaycees, Rotary, Junior League (for women only), etc. give generously to fund education often including international medical electives, especially those chapters located near the medical school or the student's hometown. Look for contacts in the phone book where you study and in your home town.

Local Newspapers and Magazines

Though not in the same category as the other non-traditional sources identified in this section, local publications in the city where the medical school is located and in the student's home town may consider paying a student to write one or more articles regarding health care issues in the country of the elective. A student who wrote a series of articles for a Philadelphia daily on health care in China recovered all of his trip costs and expenses.

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

DevelopNet News, Volunteers in Technical Assistance, 1815 North Lynn Street. Suite 200. Arlington. VA 22209-2079

International Directory for Youth Internships 1992. The Apex Press, 777 United Nations Plaza, Suite C3. New York. NY 10017; (212) 953-6920.

The International Directory of Volunteer Work. David Woodworth, Vacation Work, 9 Park End Street, Oxford OX1 1HJ England.

Opportunities in Africa. 1995. The Africa-America Institute. 380 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10168: (212) 949-5666.

Overseas Development Network Opportunities Catalogue #19936 A Handbook for Creating Your Own Internships in International Development 1994. Overseas Development Network. 333 Valencia Street, Suite 101, San Francisco, CA 94103; (415) 431-4204.

The Peace Corps and More: 175 Ways to Work, Study and Travel In the Third World. 1997. Global Exchange. 2017 Mission Street, Suite 303. San Francisco, CA 94110; (415) 255-7296.

The Directory of Work and Study in Developing Countries, from: **Vacation Work,** 9 Park End Street, Oxford OX1 1HJ

Transitions Abroad, Dept. TRA. P.O. Box 3000. Denville, NJ 07834. A bimonthly publication.

Travel Programs in Central America, Interfaith Task Force on Central America P.O. Box 3843, La Mesa, CA 91944; 619- 687-7875.

U.S. Nonprofit Organizations In Development Assistance Abroad ACVAFS, 200 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10003.

Volunteers For Peace International Workcamp Directory, VFP International Workcamps, P.O. Box 202, Belmont, VT 05730; (802) 259-2759.

'Volunteering in the Third World. What's at Stake' A 1986 videotaped discussion on the politics of the Peace Corps. Overseas Development Network. 333 Valencia Street. Suite 101, San Francisco, CA 94103; (415) 431-4204.

Volunteer Work: The Complete International Guide to Medium and Long-Term Voluntary Service. Fifth edition. Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges, Seymour Mews House. Seymour Mews. London W1H 9PE; (071) 486-5101.

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) 171 233 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

University of Barcelona Public Health, Medicine & Microbiology Dept. C/. Elisa 14 08023 Barcelona, Spain. Tel: +34 3 418 4866 Fax: +34 3 418 4866

* denotes schools with American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (ASTMH) approved Diploma Course in Clinical Tropical Medicine