UNC School of Medicine
Global Health Elective
Student Evaluation Form

Information that you provide will be made available for future UNC students to use in planning educational electives in global health and international medicine. It must be completed in order to receive elective credit for your rotation OR funding through the Office of International Activities. Please complete and return in electronic form to the Office of International Activities (shawes@med.unc.edu and Martha_carlough@med.unc.edu)

I. STUDENT INFORMATION
A. Student Name: __Virginia Crowder____________________________________
B. Email: __vngoria_crowder@med.unc.edu________________________________
C. Graduating year from UNC Medical School: __2014______________________
D. Check when you took this elective:
   __x__Summer between 1st and 2nd year ___3rd year ___4th year ___Other:
E. What UNC Department and course did you register for this elective through? __FMME 225 (Family Medicine)___________________________
F. Faculty advisor: __Martha Carlough____________________________________
G. Dates that you completed the elective: __June 4-July 2nd_________________
   Year: __2014_____________________
H. From the list below, select the one choice that best describes your motivation for taking this elective:
   ___ interest in global health   ___ desire to get experience for CV/job opportunities
   ___ interest in travel   ___ family of origin reasons
   ___ interest in helping others   ___ other: ________________________________
   ___X__ desire to learn/improve Spanish skills

I. What was the major emphasis of this elective:
   ___ medical Spanish and Latino health   ___ global health research
   ___X__ clinical care in an international setting   ___ community health/development
   ___ Other: ________________________________

J. Was this a ___ group experience or ___X__ individual experience?

II. ELECTIVE PROGRAM INFORMATION
A. Country where you completed the elective: __Ecuador______________________
B. City: __Quito, Salinas (Santa Elena)____________________________________
C. Name of Program or Hospital where you worked: CFHI (sites in Ecuador included: Maternidad Isidro Mayora, Centro De Salud, Hospital La Libertad)
D. Website address (if available): __www.cfhi.org__________________________
E. From the list below, select the choice that best describes how you first learned about this program:
   ___ referral from a friend/personal contact   ___ web site information from: ________________________________
   ___ another student who went there   ___X__ other: __previous participation____________________________
   ___ other: ________________________________

F. Name of program person you worked with and contact information: ________________
   Dr. Wilfrido Torres Alvarado
   E-Mail: wilfrido@cfhi.org

G. Costs
   Tuition: __$2,000 (with alumni discount)___
   Roundtrip travel: __$750___
   Other expenses you incurred, including vaccinations, supplies (please list type and amount):
   $200 vaccinations/meds
   $100 travel between locations
H. Did this program/hospital have a religious affiliation? ___YES ___NO
If yes, with what group: ________________________________

I. Did this program/hospital have an academic affiliation? ___YES ___NO
If yes, with what institution: ________________________________

III. GLOBAL HEALTH EXPERIENCE CHARACTERISTICS
A. List three educational outcomes you achieved with this elective
1. Improved fluency in Spanish, particularly medical Spanish
2. Clinical experience: learned how to suture, worked in OB and caught a baby, assisted in surgeries.
3. Learned about healthcare systems and obstacles in an international setting.

B. Was the experience a good use of time for you during medical school? ___YES ___NO
C. Did you have adequate clinical supervision? ___YES ___NO
D. Did you have adequate opportunities for hands-on clinical work? ___YES ___NO
E. Would you recommend this elective to other medical students? ___YES ___NO

If YES, Why? Between yes and no. It was a great experience and I ended up getting a lot out of it. However, the program itself was less organized than I was expecting, particularly for the money. I have participated on other programs with the organization before, and I would recommend another program site over this specific program.

If NO, Why?

F. Was the program responsive to your needs? ___YES ___NO (In between, it was responsive, but often times unclear and I would get two different bits of information to work with and have to clarify the details myself.)

G. Did you have appropriate arrangements for housing, food and safety/health issues? ___YES ___NO
If NO, please describe: ________________________________

H. Did you have adequate information about what to expect in advance? ___YES ___NO
If NO, what would have been helpful:

The program was a little misleading about what I would be doing in clinics for the first two weeks. It also sent us to the wrong program site one time and indicated we would be working in a separate hospital than I actually did. Also, they did not give us adequate information about how much it would cost to get between clinic sites (ie. around $80 for a plane ride), which is not a lot over the large scale, but it would have been nice to know ahead of time for budgeting sake.

I spoke sufficient Spanish upon arriving and my Spanish improved. However, the two other students with me spoke very little Spanish. The program indicated little to no Spanish experience was required as the directors could speak English. However, I found that had I not been able to speak Spanish fluently, then we would have had a lot of trouble. (We were often left to figure out our own travel and deal with problems in the clinics on our own). Our directors were often not immediately present in the hospitals when we were first trying to figure out our schedules in the clinics and it would have been very difficult if one of us hadn't spoken Spanish. Also, the physicians we ended up shadowing did not speak very much English, so I think the other students would have been lost without a translator. It was good practice for me, but I would warn other students that it would be helpful to be a more intermediate to advanced speaker for my particular program, despite what the program website says.

I. Did you feel that you had adequate support from UNC in setting up this opportunity? ___YES ___NO