

UNC School of Medicine  
Global Health Elective  
Student Feedback 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 (Becton-Tannenbaum, Perkins Burke, Medical Alumni Loyalty Fund Global Enrichment Fellowships and International Health Fellowships). Please complete and return to the Office of International Activities ([shawes@med.unc.edu](mailto:shawes@med.unc.edu) or [Martha\\_carlough@med.unc.edu](mailto:Martha_carlough@med.unc.edu))*

**I. STUDENT INFORMATION**

- A. Student Name: Mariah Hoffman
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- D. Graduating year from UNC Medical School: 2013
- E. Check when you took this elective:  
 Summer between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year  3<sup>rd</sup> year  4<sup>th</sup> year  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- F. What UNC Department and course did you register for this elective through? Family Medicine
- G. Faculty advisor: Dr. Martha Carlough
- H. Dates that you completed the elective: January 25-February 20 Year: 2013
- I. 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
 desire to learn/improve Spanish skills
- J. What was the major emphasis of this elective:  
 medical Spanish and Latino health  
 global health research  
 clinical care in an international setting  
 community health/development  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- K. Was this a \_\_\_\_\_ group experience or  individual experience?

**II. ELECTIVE PROGRAM INFORMATION**

- A. Country where you completed the elective: Guatemala
- B. City: Xela
- C. Name of Program or Hospital where you worked: Celas Maya Spanish School and Centro de Salud of Xela
- D. Website address (if available): \_\_\_\_\_
- 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  other: \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Name of program person you worked with and contact information: Petra Post  
(502) 7761-9528, [www.celasmaya.edu.gt](http://www.celasmaya.edu.gt)
- G. Costs  
Tuition: ~\$300 per week incl Roundtrip travel: ~\$600  
Other expenses you incurred, including vaccinations, supplies (please list type and amount):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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- 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. Great improvement of my medical Spanish
2. Clinical work in a resource-constrained setting
3. Using medical Spanish in a clinic setting much like one in which I hope to work in the future

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? Celas Maya offered an amazing opportunity to learn medical Spanish at my level with one on one

If NO, Why? \_\_\_\_\_

F. Was the program responsive to your needs?  YES     \_\_\_\_ NO

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: \_\_\_\_\_

I. Did you feel that you had adequate support from UNC in setting up this opportunity?  YES     \_\_\_\_ NO

### THANK YOU!!! THIS INFORMATION WILL HELP FUTURE STUDENTS !!!

Additional Comments:

I cannot endorse this experience enough for other students. Celas Maya was an amazing school that was well organized and taught me a remarkable amount of Spanish in the time I was there. They also were very flexible and worked with each student to fulfill their individual needs and goals. They helped me work in a clinic with a very wonderful preceptor in the Centro de Salud of Xela. Celas Maya is well equipped to teach medical Spanish with many resources and clinical role playing. As much as I valued my clinical experience there, I actually think that the medical Spanish aspect of my trip was the most valuable. I think that the experience of taking classes at Celas Maya is robust enough to constitute a course in and of itself without the clinical component. I am so glad I had this opportunity.

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