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 or Mariana_carlough@med.unc.edu)

I. STUDENT INFORMATION
A. Student Name: Elizabeth Kirkland
B. Email: lizb9185@gmail.com
C. Phone/cell number (optional): 
D. Graduating year from UNC Medical School: 2012
E. Check when you took this elective: 
   [ ] Summer between 1st and 2nd year  [ ] 3rd year  [ ] 4th year  [ ] Other: 
F. What UNC Department and course did you register for this elective through? PERU 401
G. Faculty advisor: Dr. Marco Aleman and Dr. Luis Diaz
H. Dates that you completed the elective: 2/25/12 - 3/19/12 Year: 2012
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
   [x] interest in helping others  [ ] other: 
J. What was the major emphasis of this elective:
   [x] 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: Peru
B. City: Trujillo
C. Name of Program or Hospital where you worked: Universidad Nacional de Trujillo (UNT), Hospital Regional (H)
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  [x] web site information from: UNC elective course catalog
   [ ] another student who went there  [ ] other: 
F. Name of program person you worked with and contact information: Dr. Jenny Valverde
G. Costs
   Tuition: $100  
   Roundtrip travel: $1000
   Other expenses you incurred, including vaccinations, supplies (please list type and amount):
   UNC course fee ($1600)
   vaccinations $100
   food/misc purchases $200
   
H. Did this program/hospital have a religious affiliation? [ ] YES  [x] NO
If yes, with what group: ________________________________

I. Did this program/hospital have an academic affiliation? x YES ___NO
   If yes, with what institution: Universidad Nacional de Trujillo

III. GLOBAL HEALTH EXPERIENCE CHARACTERISTICS
A. List three educational outcomes you achieved with this elective
   1. Improved Spanish fluency
   2. Exposure to Peruvian health care system and hospital infrastructure, working with Peruvian medical teams
   3. Cultural immersion

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

IF YES, Why? Great clinical rotation for students interested in South American culture and healthcare

IF NO, Why? __________________________________________________________

F. Was the program responsive to your needs? x YES ___NO

G. Did you have appropriate arrangements for housing, food and safety/health issues? x YES ___NO
   If NO, please describe: see below for more

H. Did you have adequate information about what to expect in advance? YES x NO
   IF NO, what would have been helpful: more explicit expectations and requirements with example daily schedule

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

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

Additional Comments:

In regards to safety (question G above): Peru has a very different level of safety than Chapel Hill, as might be expected. Students, especially females, preparing to go on this rotation should be aware that this safety concern will necessarily limit their ability to travel independently within the city of Trujillo or elsewhere. While I was one of two UNC students in Trujillo at the time, we were escorted nearly everywhere as our host families deemed it dangerous for us to be without Peruvian company. It was not until the second half of our trip that we were able to ride the bus to and from the hospital alone. Students should anticipate that they may feel restricted and less independent than they do here.

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