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 Martha_carlough@med.unc.edu)

I. STUDENT INFORMATION

A. Student Name: Zachary Haines Smith
B: Email: zachary_h_smith@med.unc.edu C. Phone/cell number (optional): _____
D. Graduating year from UNC Medical School: 2015
E. Check when you took this elective:
_☐ Summer between 1st and 2nd year _☐ 3rd year _☐ 4th year _☑ Other: year off between 2 & 3
F. What UNC Department and course did you register for this elective through? OB/GYN
G. Faculty advisor: Alice Chuang
H. Dates that you completed the elective: 01/08-05/15 Year: 2013
I. From the list below, select the **one choice** that best describes your motivation for taking this elective:
X interest in global health
____ interest in travel
____ interest in helping others
____ desire to learn/improve Spanish skills
_____ desire to get experience for CV/job opportunities
_____ family of origin reasons
_____ other: _____

J. 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: _____

K. Was this a ____ group experience or X individual experience?

II. ELECTIVE PROGRAM INFORMATION

A. Country where you completed the elective: India
B. City: Mungeli
C. Name of Program or Hospital where you worked: Christian Hospital Mungeli
D. Website address (if available): http://chmungeli.org/
E. From the list below, select the choice **that best describes** how you first learned about this program:
X referral from a friend/personal contact
____ another student who went there
____ web site information from: _____
____ other: _____

F. Name of program person you worked with and contact information: Landa Simmons
landasimmons@gmail.com
G. Costs
Tuition:_____ Roundtrip travel: $1500
Other expenses you incurred, including vaccinations, supplies (please list type and amount):
Vaccinations: $700 (Japanese Encephalitis and Rabies)
Housing/food/cooking services: $169 per month
Fun (going out to eat, parties for the hospital): $136 per month
Ambulance ride from airport to hospital (and back): $47 each way

H. Did this program/hospital have a religious affiliation? X YES ____NO

If yes, with what group: Church of North India

I. Did this program/hospital have an academic affiliation? X YES ____NO
If yes, with what institution: Virginia Tech School of Medicine and several Danish Medical Schools

III. GLOBAL HEALTH EXPERIENCE CHARACTERISTICS

A. List three educational outcomes you achieved with this elective
1. Basic surgical skills
2. Tropical health
3. Indian culture

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? Lots of surgical experience, lots of TB, lots of malaria, good teachers

If NO, Why? Medicine is practiced in a very different way and can bring up ethical dilemnas

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: _____

H. Did you have adequate information about what to expect in advance? X 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? X YES ____NO

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

Additional Comments:

I absolutely loved this rotation. It is a great rotation for anyone interested in surgery, global health, OBGYN or tropical medicine. CHM does have a religious affiliation, but this in no way hinders its patient care or ability to function in the community. If anything CHM is less biased than other local medical providers. My main caution to students going to CHM would be that you may encounter some situations that conflict with traditional western medical ethics and values. Another word of caution, it gets incredibly hot during the summer (110s-120s F). The hospital and clinic offices have air conditioning but the volunteer housing does not always have it, so as long as you are comfortable sleeping in the heat you'll be fine. I would be happy to speak further with anyone interested in doing a rotation at CHM, I loved the experience and would highly recommend it to anyone.

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