

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 (shay_slifko@med.unc.edu or Martha_carlough@med.unc.edu)

I. STUDENT INFORMATION

A. Student Name: Conner Graham
B. Email: conner.graham@med.unc.edu C. Phone/cell number (optional): _____
D. Graduating year from UNC Medical School: _____
2018

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? OIA - FMME 225/425

G. Faculty advisor: Dr. Martha Carlough

H. Dates that you completed the elective: June 23 Year: 2015

I. From the list below, select the **one choice** that best describes your motivation for taking this elective:

☒ X 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
☐ X clinical care in an international
☐ setting community health/development
☐ Other: Learning clinical diagnosis and treatment in a resource limited environment

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

II. ELECTIVE PROGRAM INFORMATION

A. Country where you completed the elective:

India

B. City: Purthi

C. Name of Program or Hospital where you worked: Himalayan Health Exchange

D. Website address (if available): http://www.himalayanhealth.com/

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: _____
☒ X another student who went there ☒ X other: Via presentation

F. Name of program person you worked with and contact information: Dr. Shawn Vainio
shawnvainio@yahoo.com

G. Costs

Tuition: \$3090 Roundtrip travel: \$1300

Other expenses you incurred, including vaccinations, supplies (please list type and amount):

Approximately \$300 – Gear, vaccines

H. Did this program/hospital have a religious affiliation? ____YES XNO

If yes, with what group: _____

I. Did this program/hospital have an academic affiliation? ____ YES ____ X NO

If yes, with what institution: _____

III. GLOBAL HEALTH EXPERIENCE CHARACTERISTICS

A. List three educational outcomes you achieved with this elective

1. I gained valuable hands on clinical experience by taking patient histories and performing physical exams.
2. This trip taught me how to appropriately work with translators and was a culturally rich experience.
3. I learned techniques to appropriately diagnose and treat patients in resource limited environments.

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? A wonderful opportunity to practice Hx and physical exam skills, gain exposure to diseases not commonly seen in US practice, use translators to communicate w/ pts, gain exposure to different cultures and religions in a unique and remote area of the world. This was valuable educational experience and trip of a lifetime.

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

Please describe: Most nights involved camping in tents, which were both provided and set up upon arrival to camp / clinic sites. The food was wonderful and prepared by an amazing support team, who also boiled / treated the water for us, made chai tea several times a day, provided warm water for showers, and dug latrines. The drivers were safe on the long and dangerous roads, and the hotel accommodations were nice. If any illness arose, the physicians on the trip were prompt to address each issue and provide the appropriate care.

H. Did you have adequate information about what to expect in advance? ____ X YES ____ NO

What would have been helpful: A presentation by students who have been on the trip.

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

J. Please include any additional information or feedback you would like to include for students engaging in future international rotations:

K. What could the OIA have done differently or better to support you in your international elective? :

The information and support for this elective was fantastic and I am so grateful to have had this opportunity. I highly recommend this trip, even though it is a bit more costly than the others.

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

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