

Boonshoft School of Medicine International Education

History and First Five Year International Health Program Summary: Classes of 2008-2012

History/Timeline

- In the Spring of 2000, first year medical students from the Class of 2004 at the Boonshoft School of Medicine established the Global Health Initiative.
- Four students from the Class of 2004 completed an international elective led by Roger Pacholka, MD, a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine.
- The first classroom based course, called *Global Health Elective*, was offered February 25-May 26, 2004, taught by course director, Jeanne Lemkau, PhD, and a faculty team which included Drs. Anna Bellisari, Robert Brandt, Wayne Carmichael, Kate Cauley, John Czachor, Jan Duke, Tom Herchline, Robert Turk and Mary White and was attended by 20 students from the Class of 2007. I
- In August, 2005, medical students Michelle Arthur (Class of 2007), Matt Pellerite (Class of 2009), and Christine Pham (Class of 2008), with faculty support from Drs. Barbara and Richard Shuster, presented to the Faculty Curricular Committee the International Health Program Curriculum which included: 1) a classroom based course for first year students, which would serve as a pre-requisite for international travel electives; 2) an international travel elective to be completed in the summer between the first and second year of medical school; 3) a classroom based course for second year students to focus on issues of global health policies and programs; and a fourth year international travel elective, and was approved.
- Concurrently, the GHI Travel Elective Committee of faculty and students began developing the administrative infrastructure to support the program.
- Dr. Cauley assumed leadership for International Education in the Boonshoft School of Medicine, Dr. White became the course director for SMD612, *Health Care in Developing Countries*, the classroom based course offered during the first year of medical school, and Drs. Cauley and Herchline became co-directors of SMD614, *Health Care in the Global Community*, the classroom based course offered during the second year of medical school.
- The Class of 2008 was the first class to have the opportunity to participate in all aspects of the International Health Program Track.

Summary: First Five Years of the International Health Program Track, Classes of 2008-2012

	Class of 2008	Class of 2009	Class of 2010	Class of 2011	Class of 2012
4th year travel	25 students traveled to nine countries including Bolivia, Cambodia, India, Italy,	16 students traveled to seven countries including	29 students traveled to eleven countries including Argentina, Bangladesh, Belize,	25 students traveled to Belize, Gaza and the West Bank,	22 students traveled to Columbia, France, India, Jamaica, Jerusalem, Kenya,

	Jamaica, Nepal Peru, Romania, Venezuela, and domestically with the Indian Health Service	Belize, Haiti, Jamaica, Kenya, India, Papua New Guinea, South America, and domestically with the Indian Health Service.	Beirut, Bolivia, Galilee, India, Jamaica, Mexico, Peru, Swaziland, Togo, and domestically with the Indian Health Service	Honduras, India, Jamaica, Swaziland, Togo, and domestically with the Indian Health Service, and to Memphis.	New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Swaziland, and Tanzania
Completed IHP	17	16	21	23	16
SMD 614	22	17	35	28	30
1st year travel	27	31	46	31	34
SMD 612	37	38	52	40	56