

Pre-Health & Health Programs In The Dominican Republic



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Come to the Caribbean and experience the stunning beauty of this part of the world as well as learn of its struggles. This team offers clinical experience in general medicine and public health. The program begins in Santo Domingo and travels through Las Matas de Farfan (Communities: Alto de los Copeyes and Villa del Carmen) Students have the opportunity to help those in need, gain valuable experience and discover the beginning of the America's all in one location.

Circumstances require that teams be flexible, usual rotating assignments for students include:
**Field Clinics, Village Triage, Physical Exams, Meds Distribution, Eye Exams,
& Community Health Surveying**

Each program includes seminars on:
Basic Triage • Tropical Medicine • Medical Spanish



Nine day programs \$1,485:

May 24-June 1 and June 3-11

Two week programs \$1,685:

July 5-18, Aug. 2-15, Sept. 6-19, and Dec. 6-19

Airfare not included

Financial Aid available through GSM
sponsorship program.

Teams are accompanied by professional medical staff.

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After being trained you will be able to provide in-home visits to screen for primary problems and make your pre-diagnosis, resulting in a referral from you to come to a village clinic. At the clinic, you will participate, under professional supervision, in intake/exams/diagnosis/treatment plan and the prescribing of the appropriate medications.

Additional/Optional Areas of Study for Independent Studies

1. **Natural Medicine.** The history/use of natural medicines, collection, and field identification. Opportunity to become involved with local growers and “curanderos”.
2. **The Role of Myth, Legend, and Indigenous Beliefs in the Practice of Health Professions.** Practitioners in the “Developed World” are often baffled by the preference local people give healing practices based on indigenous beliefs. Explore “why?”
3. **Field Veterinary Medicine.** Explore/study/experience veterinary practice and importance of veterinary medicine for both animal and human populations.
4. **Medical/Nursing/Dental/Optical/Vet Care Delivery Systems – a Comparison and Contrast.** Compare U.S. system of health services delivery and the host country.
5. **Women’s Health Issues.** Cultural traditions often deny women in other cultures full access to medical resources. Explore this issue through interview/study of relevant institutions.
6. **Medical Spanish.** Beginning at any level of expertise, our staff can upgrade students’ Spanish/Swahili proficiency as relating to health practices.
7. **The Sky’s the Limit!!** Using the expertise and extensive resources of our staff, create your own independent study with a sponsoring professor. Notify ISL in advance.

What ISL Participants Say...

“This trip was most definitely a life changing experience for me and I wouldn’t change anything about it. I will never forget the kids at the orphanage.” Rachel Allison – California Lutheran Univ.

“No other experience compares to the ISL trip...not only did I gain knowledge of medical practices, I learned a lot about human compassion...I recommend this trip to anyone.” Teresa Culley – Med Student

“My trip was indeed life changing...I loved every minute, challenge, and piece of work I was able to do as part of this team...I truly have learned more about myself, the world around me, and what God is doing on a global level!” Kristin Sanders – Valparaiso University

Cost can be reduced significantly through the GSM sponsorship program. Find out how at www.aboutGSM.org. Cost includes all water/land transport, housing, two meals per day, border/security costs, staff accompaniment, translators, supplies and equipment, basic instruction manual, programming, and presentations. Does not include airfare or \$65 application fee.

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