

Medical Fellows: Pre-Med/Global Health Gap-Year Program

The Medical Fellows program gives recent graduates the opportunity to work alongside physicians, nurses and community health workers while experiencing the challenges and opportunities present in global settings.

The program is meant for college graduates (of any major) interested in volunteering abroad in underserved healthcare settings. Fellows live and work in either Belize or Guatemala, and will travel occasionally to other sites (including the USA). The program starts in the summer and lasts 12 months or longer.

*It was an amazing feeling to integrate into a community and gain the trust of patients...
The medical fellow position truly has a lot to offer.
-Medical Fellow Christina 2017 – 2018*

*It was fascinating to be part of a program that puts so much effort on community projects and education in order to improve public health.
-Medical Fellow Kirsten 2017-2018*

Work with public health organizations

You will be placed at a health center where you will have the opportunity to learn and work alongside doctors, nurses and community health workers.

Develop cross-cultural competence

You will live with a host family in a rural village which will give you a full immersion experience into the local culture and language.

Mentor students

You will develop your leadership skills as you mentor the next generation of health professionals during our academic service learning programs for high school students.

Receive training and support

You will be trained to deliver medical care that is directly related to the health issues found in the targeted communities. Besides, each fellow will be granted a Professional Development Fund to be used for language lessons or additional medical training.

Fellows who commit to a 13-month position or longer will receive support to develop and implement health-related projects in their host communities.

The **Global Public Service Academy for Health** was founded with an understanding that young adults can make a difference in the world. Through collaboration with local health authorities in Guatemala, Belize and West Virginia, USA, our volunteers and fellows make a lasting difference in the lives of underserved communities.

For more information or to apply email internships@gpsa.org.