Field Internship in Public Health
Ghana, Africa

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About the internship

- Two week public health internship in Ghana
- Faculty led
- 3 credits
- Hands on work
- Life changing experiences
- Travel the country
- Cultural experiences
- Major bonding experience
Prayer Mountain

• First look at the many beauties of Ghana
Withrow University

President of Withrow University: Dr. Nsiah
Public Health Experiences

- Mampong Hospital
- Hospital tour
- Observed all hospital wings
- Operating room sit in
- Gained different perspectives
A doctor presenting the different medical instruments used during child birth

Outside of Mampong Hospital

Newborn babies

A newborn with jaundice

A mother with her newborn
Mampong Hospital maternity wing

These photos were taken in the operating room where students were able to observe multiple C-Section’s
Mampong Hospital – Well Baby Clinic

• Students were able to learn about how the baby’s health is monitored
• Weighed babies
• Watched nurses give the babies their shots
Babies Home (a local orphanage)

- Visited the children at the babies home
- Ages ranged from 1 month to 12 years old
- Donated many gifts and got to play with all of the kids
Water Treatment Center

- Educational tour of a water treatment facility
Zoomlion Waste Management

- An environmental sanitation service industry
- Visited a waste landfill
- Learned about Zoomlion's impact on Ghana
- Tour of the facility
Cultural Experiences

- Mole Game Reserve
- Kumasi Markets
- Royale Palace
- Monkey Sanctuary
- Canopy Walk
- Crocodile Site
- Kintampo Falls
- Cape Coast Castle
Kings Palace

- Learned more about Ghanaian culture and history highlighting the life of the King and Queen
Mole National Park

- Safari ride
- Up close experiences with different animals
Kumasi and Ashanti Markets

- Gained an insight on day to day Ghanaian market life
- Very hectic and stressful
Monkey Sanctuary

- Fed the monkeys
- Learned about the two different species of monkeys in that particular village
Crocodile site and Canopy walk

- Observed crocodiles natural element
- Hike and canopy walk
Kintampo Falls

• Learned about the falls and some of the beliefs of the Ghanaian people about them
• Got to converse with some locals and cool off under the falls
Last Night in the Village

• Our local coordinator and her friends threw us a party at one of their houses

• A lot of fun, music, and dancing to local drum beats followed by a delicious native meal
Cape Coast Castle

• Educational tour on the Cape Coast Castle which was once known to be a slave castle
• Interactive experience with tour guide
• Powerful learning experience of the history that took place at Cape Coast Castle
Next Years Trip: May 26 – June 8, 2019

If you are interested in the next trip you will need to:

- Let Dr. Gimenez know by contacting her, cc Rita Kornblum in the Health Sciences Department
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- Leave your contact information, cell phone and email address so we can contact you
- Stay up to date on your emails.
- You will be provided information through emails about meetings scheduled to inform you about details of the trip