# Non-Credit Elective Title

**International & Global Health**

## Course Number
MDC 0919

## Locations
- Latin America
- Africa
- Asia
- Europe

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**SUMMER ROTATIONS**

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<th>Duration/Weeks</th>
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<td>MIN 4 ; MAX 8</td>
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## Lectures/Seminars
- YES, including “Medical Spanish”

## Outpatient
- YES

## Inpatient
- SOME

## Housestaff
- YES

## Night Call
- NO

## Weekends
- NO

## Lab
- Possible, if requested

## Exam Required
- No; Just a paper/poster presentation at the end

## Overall Educational Goal:
The goal of this elective is to raise awareness and appreciation for issues in global and international health. A main objective is for students to understand issues related to global and international health by attending a series of lectures locally and then going abroad for an international experience during a 4-8 week period during the summer months. Lectures will include topics such as vaccinations, anthropology, maternal and child health, opportunities for students and physicians in international health, and public health issues. By attending these lectures and particularly by their immersion in other countries and cultures the students will gain a greater appreciation for their diverse patients and their respective countries of origin and may acquire or refine their language skills particularly in Medical Spanish.

## Objectives:
- To enhance Medical Students’ awareness on global issues related to Health.
- To stimulate Medical Students to immerse themselves in other countries and cultures
- To send groups of medical students to different countries over the world with whom we have ongoing educational collaborations
- To learn about clinical and community programs in other cultures that would benefit clinical experiences of the students when returning to New Jersey.

## Brief Description Of Activities:
- 2-3 one hour lectures during the year will outline the relevance of global health and prepare the students for their summer experiences. These lectures will be given by Drs. Escobar and Gaur.
- 4-8 month summer experiences would take place in such environs as CES Medical School in Medellin, Colombia, Ghana Police Hospital and L&A Memorial Academy in Ghana, Africa, Dr SN Medical College in Jodhpur, India, University of Zaragoza and Hospital Miguel Servet, in Zaragoza, Spain, Chi Medical Center and Taiwan, National Cheng Kung University in Taiwan and several other institutions in countries of Africa, Asia and Latin America.

## Method Of Evaluation
- The Faculty will evaluate the student’s participation in the lectures.
- Physician supervisors will evaluate the summer experience of the students rotating through each international site.
- A paper or poster presentation about the summer experience will be required.
- Students are encouraged to develop lasting collaborations with host countries possibly leading to research activities or to active pursuit of an honors program at RWJMS (DISC).