GLOBAL HEALTH ROTATION FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS of Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
In Taiwan, Republic of China

中國醫藥大學  China Medical University, Taichung, Taiwan, central western Taiwan
國立成功大學  National Cheng Kung University College of Medicine, Tainan, Taiwan, southern Taiwan
國立台灣大學  National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, northern Taiwan
慈濟大學  Tzu Chi Medical University, Hualien, Taiwan, eastern Taiwan
台北榮民總醫院  Veterans General Hospital, Taipei, Taiwan, northern Taiwan

Dates: 2010-2011
Two weeks program – Chinese Medicine
- Either at China Medical University or Veterans General Hospital
Four weeks program – Combined western and eastern medicine
- 2 weeks at China Medical University,
- 1 week at Tzu Chi University,
- 1 week at National Taiwan University

Students: 適合學生
First year students: non-credit elective:
- The summer between the first and second year, individual student
Fourth year student elective: spring semester,
- Block #10 or #11, after Match date, group of students, and lead by Dr. Lin

Coordinators: 負責人
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Requirements: 選修條件
Intermediate Mandarin (unless your classmate will translate for you)
Students with good academic standing need to Submit CV’s.
RWJMS will send an official letter.
Medical schools or hospitals in Taiwan will send letters of approval/invitation

DIDACTIC PROGRAM: 課程
A. The two-week program will be focused on Chinese Medicine

B. The Four-week program has two options:
   B1- 1)Two weeks at China Medical University: Chinese Medicine course special designed for our students
   2)One week at Tzu Chi University: Medical Humanity, Family Medicine and Community Health, aboriginal and indigenous health, home visits, palliative care, mobile medical unit, tea ceremony, recycling station.
   3)One week at National Taiwan University: Public health and the Taiwanese health care System, National Health Insurance, clinical floor observations, health fair.
   B2- Stay in one of the University/hospital for 4 weeks
      1. Lectures in the morning on various topics: Public Health and the Taiwanese Health Care System, Difference between Western and Eastern Medicine, Lesson learned from National Health Insurance, Culture Competency in health care, Health beliefs. Students can also attend some of the lectures for students at site.
      2. Clinical Rotations in the afternoon
         a. Western Medicine: Family Medicine, Pediatrics, Newborn nursery, Emergency Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Internal Medicine, surgery, executive physical examination, Radiology, Palliative care. Faculty member will supervise each of this.
         b. Eastern Medicine: acupuncture, herbal medicine
         c. Mobile unit: to community centers in remote areas
3- Medical Mandarin, if needed:
Small group with tutor, one-hour session per day, 5 days a week

CULTURAL PROGRAM: 文化活動
A guided historical and anthropological tour of the city and the region will be offered during the last weekend of the two-week program or last week of the four-week program. An anthropologist connected to local university/medical school will lead this.

HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS: 住宿
1. Discounted guest apartment, or student dorm on campus
2. Host families connected to medical school, some of these families are those of medical students attending the same school
3. Apartments and hotels near the medical schools/hospitals are available at a reasonable cost.

TRANSPORTATION: 當地交通
Transportation from Medical School to the clinical sites will be provided.
Taxis are inexpensive (about US $3 the average fare). There is also a Metro and other public transportation systems (Buses).

IMMUNIZATION: 預防針
See CDC’s website recommendations for travel to Taiwan, Republic of China

PASSPORTS AND VISAS: 護照及簽證
A Valid Passport is required. No visa needed for US citizen if stay in Taiwan for less than 30 days, however, the visa is needed if stays more than 30 days; the application of visa can be taken care of by special assigned travel agency.

DRESS CODES AND CLINICAL “ETIQUETTE”: 服裝
It will be provided by medical schools or hospitals in Taiwan

OTHER PRACTICAL ISSUES:
Weather: winter 70-50 degrees; summer 90-105 degrees
Cellular telephones: available by sim card
Internet access available either wireless or Internet cafe

BUDGET* 預算
The Estimated Costs (daily and total) of the Program Are:
--Food: About US $20 per day
--Transportation in Taiwan
  About US $2 round trip Taipei city subway per day; $25-50 for high speed train from city to city
  US$50 round trip Taipei-Taichung, taxi starts at US$ 2.50
  US$ 30 round trip Taipei-Hualien, US$4 train station to TzuChi, taxi starts at US$ 3.30
--Housing: TBA
  China Medical University, four students in one room, male or female dorm
  Tzu Chi University, four students in one room, male or female dorm
--Airfare: US $1000 (spring) - US$2000 (summer) round trips, either direct flight from Newark or JFK to Taipei; or connect via Japan, Hong Kong or Shanghai (price at Jan 2011)
-- English course of Chinese Medicine/Medical Mandarin tutor US$ 700-1000
-- Visa, US$ 160 for staying longer than 30 days.

ESTIMATED TOTAL COST PER STUDENT = $4000-5,000 USD