

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO COLLEGE OF MEDICINE**  
**ELECTIVE CLERKSHIP**

**Title:** International Health Elective

**Elective Type:** Clinical

**Department:** Family Medicine

**Elective Site:** La Esperanza, Honduras

**Course Number:**

**Blocks Available:** Spring 2013

**Number of Students per block:** 15 medical students

**Faculty:** Dr. Richard Paat

**Elective Description/requirements:**

Students will be given an opportunity to travel with other health care professionals to a foreign country and deliver care to those in need. The speciality of medicine will be dependent on the attending physician. Students will gain experience in developing a differential diagnosis and treatment plans for patients with various medical and surgical problems.

On March 4-11, 2013, 15 medical students, students from the College of Nursing and Pharmacy and the Physician Assistant program, one third year resident and one alum from University of Toledo College of Medicine will conduct a clinic at various villages near La Esperanza, Honduras. The medical mission is affiliated with the Lions Club and World Vision.

**Length of Elective:** 2 weeks

**Course Objectives and Linkage to EPO(s):**

1. Students will be able to develop patient interviewing, physical exam skills, and differential diagnoses.  
K-1, K-2, K-3, K-4, K-5, K-7, K-11, K-12, S3, S4, P1, P2, P3, P4, P5
2. Students will participate in determining clinically appropriate treatment plans.  
K-11, K12, S-8, P-3, P-5
3. Students will be able to deliver a presentation on an infectious disease common to the region of travel.

K-1, K-3, K-4, K-7, K-13,

4. Students will be able to observe how a medical mission trip is organized and executed on minimal resources.

K-15

5. Students will be able to participate in a multi-disciplinary clinical team.

P-1, P-2, P-3, P-4

6. Students will be able to observe how culture, economics, systems and access to health care differ from the United States.

K-10, K-13, K-14, S-2

**Instructional Methods:**

1. Ambulatory Care experience
2. Case write-up

**Evaluation:**

1. Faculty observation
2. Clinical competency evaluation

**Prerequisites:**

1. Each student must be in good academic standing and have vaccinations up to date prior to attending the trip.
2. Students are responsible for travel and room and board expenses less than \$1000.00.

**AAMC Hot Topics:**

Multicultural health  
Health Disparities  
Health Care Systems  
Global Health issues