



Alumni Global Outreach Experiences Application

2017-2018

BSMCON is pleased to offer a variety of opportunities that allow our faculty, students, and alumni to serve others. BSMCON is interested in having one alumni join Team Haiti in March of 2018.

- Haiti: Alumni selected for the Haiti Team will spend their Spring Break (March 9-16, 2018) serving those in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. The team will have the opportunity to set up clinics in rural villages in the Central Plateau of Haiti in order to meet the healthcare needs of this population. In addition, students will be immersed in the Haitian culture by attending church services, visiting local landmarks, and socializing with those living in the local communities.

Alumni Global Outreach Objectives

- The alumni will engage in activities that support student learning and appreciation of the culture they are immersed in during the selected experience.
- The alumni will provide their knowledge and skills as a Registered Nurse to support the healthcare needs of the host community.
- The alumni will recognize the importance of our individual and collective “Call to Serve”.
- The alumni will provide additional leadership support in collaboration with the faculty lead/s to enhance the student experience.

Alumni Selection Process

Global Outreach trips are both rewarding and challenging. Participants must exhibit qualities of flexibility, physical endurance, and the ability to acclimate to different environments. To aid in the faculty selection process, the following process will be followed:

- Alumni interested in participating as a member of Team Haiti will submit a short essay addressing the following questions. This essay should be sent as an email attachment no later than end of business **Thursday July 13, 2017** to Amy Feurer, Chair of the Global Outreach Committee.
 - Why do you want to participate on this global outreach trip?
 - How do you think this experience will contribute to your growth as a Registered Nurse?
 - Describe any previous community outreach experience(s) in which you have participated either as a student at BSMCON or since graduating.
 - What qualities do you have that will assist faculty leaders and encourage students as they become immersed in another culture?
- Applications will be reviewed by a selection team for recommendation to proceed to an interview.

Interviews may be done in person or via conference call.

Commitment if Selected

If selected to be a part of Team Haiti 2018, the alumni will commit to:

- Participate and engage in
 - Formation activities to support team building, development, and preparation for the global outreach experience. This averages 8-10 meetings from time of selection through completion of experience beginning in August.
 - All aspects of the global outreach experience to include fundraising and after hour events associated with student efforts.
 - Group debriefing following experience
 - Presentation to the College community about the experience
- Be mentally, physically, and emotionally prepared for the experience. Outreach experiences are often unpredictable and alumni will need to adapt to changes in plans.
- Financially supporting their trip. International trips average \$1500-\$1700/person

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