GLOBAL INITIATIVES PROGRAM

BELIZE 2020

Global Initiatives Program online application
www.polytechnic.org/tripapp

DATES: Friday (late evening), March 20, to Saturday, March 28
COST: $3,650
GIP APPLICATION DEADLINE: Oct. 1, 2019

The Poly GIP travel program to Belize aims to:

• Provide hands-on experience in public health education and medical screening;

• Immense students in a rural indigenous community in Belize through a homestay and service activities;

• Equip students with skills that will help them better serve the community;

• Teach students about the history, culture, and geography of Belize.

DESCRIPTION:

Global Public Service Academy for Health’s Belize program is an intensive cultural and professional experience for students with a passion for global issues, and/or healthcare-related career paths. The Poly group will travel to San Antonio in the San Ignacio region in the interior of the country. The students will be led by graduate and pre-med students from Duke and Johns Hopkins to learn about public health in rural and remote villages. Every day, the students will get hands-on experience in medical screening to improve health care for the poor. They will stay with a local family to deepen their appreciation for the many indigenous cultures and languages of Belize, many of whom are Spanish-speaking. In the afternoons, the group will have the opportunity to give lessons in public health and present at health fairs in local primary schools, visit a sustainable farm, and explore Mayan ruins. Most importantly, students will learn how to make a difference.

TRAVEL PROGRAM LEADER:
JD Gladden

ELIGIBILITY: Students in grades 9-12

QUESTIONS:
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Financial aid is available. To apply, please contact Lindsay Morales at lmorales@polytechnic.org to receive the Confidential Financial Aid Application, which is due Oct. 2.