

# Surgicorps Student Scholarship

## Background:

The Surgicorps Medical Youth Leadership (SMYL) Committee was started in 2012 by a group of Surgicorps volunteers between the ages of 20-35, who recognized both the inspirational value and the financial burden of overseas medical service trips for students in the medical fields. In an effort to assist those students with a genuine interest in third world medicine, SMYL began the Surgicorps Student Scholarship fund to assist with trip costs. The scholarship is awarded annually and covers \$1000 of the recipient's travel costs. Applications are reviewed annually in March; the funds can be used towards any trip within 12 months after receiving the award. Recipients, in turn, are expected to demonstrate commitment to their trip by organizing and completing a fundraiser (for supplies, etc) **prior** to their trip- the more creative the better and must be approved by the SMYL team.

## Eligibility/Requirements:

- Applicants must be an active graduate student in a medical-related field (medicine, dentistry, nursing, physician assistant).
- Applicants must complete the attached S3 application and submit it to the email addresses noted on the application.
- Applicants must propose a detailed fundraiser in which they can help raise funds or needed supplies for their trip. If awarded the scholarship, they must commit to doing said fundraiser (modifications allowable).

For questions about the application process and/or if you are interested but a student in a medical field NOT noted above, please email Anne Argenta at [argentae@upmc.edu](mailto:argentae@upmc.edu).



**Surgicorps Student Scholarship Application:**

Please fill out this in addition to the general volunteer application, if you are student of a medical field interested in applying for a \$1000 scholarship to assist with travel costs.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I am a student of (circle one):**

**Medicine      Dentistry      Nursing      PA      other:**\_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Today's Date:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Which trip are you interested in (circle one)?**

**Guatemala      Bhutan      Vietnam      Zambia      Myanmar**

**Trip dates:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Please list any alternate trips and dates that would be a second choice, in the first choice is cancelled/unavailable:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please submit your completed application via email to Anne Argenta at [argentaae@upmc.edu](mailto:argentaae@upmc.edu). Application deadline for this upcoming 12month cycle (any 2015 trip) is December 15, 2014. You will be notified of the application committee's decision by January 1, 2015.**