



Dr. Carl Richard Jackson Scholarship

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Dear Applicants,

Our son's Scholarship the **Dr. Carl Richard Jackson Scholarship** was established in 2009, by my family and our friends to honour the memory of our much loved boy. This is the 10th year that the Scholarship has been offered. Carl loved being a doctor and he loved his placement in Cambodia, which he completed in 2006 and the reason why Cambodia is the nominated country. We hope you will take the same opportunity and select Cambodia as your elective. If you do, be assured you will benefit immensely from that opportunity and just as importantly the Cambodian people will benefit from your presence.

One of your first decisions will be to decide where to do your placement. As you will be in Cambodia for approximately 8 weeks we are happy for you to spend your time at one medical facility, however, if you wish to attend two different places that is also fine. Previous Scholarship recipients have taken both approaches. I think you will find reading the reports of previous recipients to be very helpful and these can be accessed via Carl's and/or the University's Internal Website.

Carl, who wanted to be an orthopaedic surgeon completed his placement largely at the Children's Surgical Centre (CSC) in Phnom Penh, whose CEO is Dr Jim Gollogly. This Centre is an NGO that provides free surgery primarily to disabled Cambodian children but also to adults. Carl's Scholarships are not restricted to the National Paediatric Hospital in Phnom Penh, though eight of our students have completed full or part placements there. The majority of medical facilities in Cambodia are NGO's, catering for the disadvantaged and those in need of medical assistance. Below is an overview of the NGO's where previous Scholarship recipients have given their support.

Andrew Emanuel, Louise Greenup and Lauren Smith completed placements at CSC. The CSC placement is particularly suited to students who are interested in surgery. Andrew, who was also interested in Paediatrics did a placement at Angkor Children's Hospital as did Christine Lim and Joshua Serov. Sally and Louise spent time developing history and examination skills as well as participating in an Outreach medical response team at the Helen Bonner Health Clinic. Both Angkor Children's Hospital and the Helen Bonner Health Clinic are located in Siem Reap.

Harrison Odgers was accepted by an NGO called The Lake Clinic (TLC), which provides medical care to villagers who live around the Tonle Sap lake south of Siem Reap. TLC visits two of these villages per week via their 'floating-clinics' and Harrison reported that this opportunity again showed him the importance of good clinical skills.

Elissa Calderwood did a placement through Women's Health Cambodia, Prey Kabas Referral Hospital, Takeo Province, where she says it was "challenging to see how the management of labour and childbirth is quite different and not up to the standards we would expect in Australia".

In 2016, Lindsey Jones spent 4 weeks with One-2-One Cambodia in Phnom Penh, an NGO that focuses specifically on providing for the poor and vulnerable populations of Cambodia. Lindsey comments in her report that this "was an eye opening experience, in that the majority of clinics were conducted in the alleyways of the slums of Phnom Penh".

Tom Morley completed his elective at two places but both were in rural provinces, one under the guidance of the Australian NGO LifeOptions in Kampong Speu province and the other in the tropical villages surrounding Battambang city, facilitated by the Australian NGO, Hope for Cambodian Children Foundation (HfCCF). In 2013, Joshua Serov, again completed two placements. His first placement was at Rose Charities Australia's Sight Centre in Phnom Penh, where he spent time with "the fantastic Maxillofacial Surgical Team" and his second placement was at Angkor Hospital for Children.

Our latest Scholarship recipient, Andrew-Hyun Lee spent 8 weeks at the International NGO, Hebron Hospital, situated on the outskirts of Phnom Penh. During that time Andrew was given the freedom to experience all aspects of the hospital, which ranged from general practice, outpatient cardiology, gastroenterology, and gynaecology clinics, as well as a small inpatient ward.

Previous Scholarship recipients are also happy to provide assistance with regard to information about their placement contacts and I am also available to assist with contacts made by Carl's family in their association with Cambodia. Another wonderful asset is Dr. Kathryn Currow, who previously chaired the Cambodian Interest Group and is very active in educating doctors involved in managing children's health. Kathryn is a Senior CMO, at the Emergency Department, Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, Westmead Campus and has previously assisted our Scholarship recipients with introductions to placement opportunities.

As long as you meet the University's Guidelines, the choice of the placement is yours.

We encourage all eligible applicants to apply for the **Dr. Carl Richard Jackson Scholarship**.

Best wishes
Cathy Jackson

References :

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