

School of Public Health and Health Services

Alumni Ambassador Form

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		Current Program Global Health Policy
Degrees Earned	Major	College/University
MPH	International Health Policy	The George Washington Univ. School of Public Health & Health Services
BA	International Health/Pre-med	Boston College
Work Experience	Job Title	Organization/Website
The Futures Group Int'l	Research Intern	The Futures Group International, www.tfgi.com
DHAPP	Research Intern	Dept. of Defense HIV/AIDS Prevention Program
PCI	Intern	Project Concern International, www.projectconcern.org
Volunteer Experience	Title	Organization/Website
HIV Patient Care	Volunteer	Settlers Hospital, Grahamstown, South Africa
Health Education	Guest Teacher	Center for Social Development, Grahamstown, South Africa
Honors/Awards Dean's List – all semesters Salutatorian, Boston College Recipient, McCarthy Award for Best Thesis in Social Sciences Phi Beta Kappa Fulbright & Truman Scholarship Finalist PHSA Global Health Representative		
Pastimes Traveling, jiu jitsu, white water canoeing, PHSA!		
My Future Goals To pursue my MD or PhD, work in an international public health organization based in Washington, DC, and work substantially in sub-Saharan Africa.		
What was best about the School of Public Health and Health Services at GW The location in DC. Take advantage of the many events and opportunities DC affords while you are at GW. It is the haven for international and domestic public health organizations. And, I really enjoyed running the Global Health Seminar Series at GW!		
What was best about living in the Washington, DC Area Washington, DC is absolutely beautiful, a place of history, and a place for the future. I find it enchanting and hope to settle here. I have found my 'home' away from home.		

My message to applicants

I applied to many schools around the United States, and finally chose GWU based on its location, the positive experience I had with the Admissions Office, and the positive experience I had meeting with faculty when visiting GW. The professors are extremely approachable and KNOW their students.
I would be happy to answer any questions you may have or give perspectives on certain issues.