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We Are Live from South Africa!

Mike Deal (PGY-3) returns from George Hospital, South Africa. Read more about his experience through the global surgery elective below!

Exciting Student News!

See below for more about the achievements of student members Hollis Chillura (M3), Sydney Bertram (M4), and Lauren Cox (M2)!

Upcoming Speaker Event

We will be hosting Dr. John Tarpley as the keynote speaker for our March speaker event!

Live From South Africa! A Reflection From Dr. Mike Deal (PGY-3)



Mike Deal, M.D., PGY-3, completed his two month global surgery rotation at George Hospital in South Africa. During his rotation, he split his time between a diverse surgical caseload in the operating room and traveling to rural areas with Hugo Stark, M.D., Chief of Surgery at George Hospital. Dr. Stark's practice supports the concept of the true general surgeon which is reflected in the diversity of surgical services delivered to a large, primarily rural, population. Dr. Deal said he experienced a lot of procedures he wouldn't typically be exposed to during residency in the U.S. and learned a lot from the surgical team at George.

"The people of George, South Africa became my family and the city became my home during my two month global surgery rotation. I grew more personally, professionally, and clinically than I ever anticipated. Thank you to Dr. Mallah, the MUSC Global Surgery Program, and the MUSC Department of Surgery for allowing me to be part of such an incredible experience." - **Dr. Mike Deal**

Exciting Student Updates!

An abstract submitted by a team led by Sydney Bertram (M4) was selected as a winner of the Consortium of Universities of Global Health student competition!

Congratulations to Lauren Cox (M2)! Her abstract 'A Comprehensive Review of Global Surgery Programs Across the US' was accepted to the ICS Annual Research Scholarship Competition during the 48th annual meeting!

Student member Hollis Chillura (M3) will be representing MUSC as a part of the Center for Global Health's team for the national Emory Case Competition during the 48th annual meeting!

Save the Date: March Speaker Event!

On Thursday, March 13 at 6:30 pm, we will be hosting our next speaker event. We are thrilled to have renowned global surgeon, ACS "Icon of Surgery," **John Tarpley, MD, FACS, FWACS** as our keynote speaker. We are also looking forward to hearing our very own Dr. John Hallmark (PGY-3) discuss his 2 months in George, South Africa and Savannah Skidmore (M4) reflect on building the MUSC Global Surgery Program. The event will take place at The Peacock. Please scan our QR code to RSVP! We hope to see you there!



Important Links:

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