University of Health Sciences Antigua

School of Medicine
Macedonia School of Nursing

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Medical & Nursing School to the World!

UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES ANTIGUA

Welcome to the University of Health Sciences Antigua located in Dowhill, Antigua. UHSA's School of Medicine and Macedonia School of Nursing both have a distinguished history of providing a vigorous education to students of high academic potential since 1982.

Having been at UHSA for over thirty years, I know the strong commitment that UHSA has to its students and their success. UHSA has initiatives not found in many of the other schools in our region. Our curriculum is organ system based and allows for an integrated approach to teaching and learning during the basic science years, similar to most U.S. schools. This method of teaching allows for learning in small groups, independent study and the early integration of clinical experiences.

UHSA is one of only a few medical schools in the Caribbean that has a Standardized Patient/Clinical skills unit. UHSA students begin an exposure to standardized, trained patients from day one. Students also participate in early clinical experiences on the island through the government health system of Antigua. Also, UHSA operates a student involved clinic, The Free Clinic at English Harbour. At the Free Clinic, students have an opportunity to serve the community while gaining valuable leadership and clinical experience. UHSA students are also involved in research.

The motto for UHSA is “medical and nursing school to the world.” We have a rich, diverse community with students and faculty representing many parts of the world. A majority of the UHSA faculty live on campus. Our faculty are both talented and committed, making themselves accessible after hours to ensure the success of our students. With enrollment per class of no more than 120, UHSA students are more than just a number and have an opportunity to know and spend time with their faculty.

Give us an opportunity to be a part of this most important and exciting journey in your life. At UHSA, we are dedicated to your success and to your becoming a physician of excellence.

Best wishes,

Dr. Deborah Akande
Chairman, Board of Trustees
University of Health Sciences Antigua

AT UHSA, YOU ARE MORE THAN JUST A NUMBER

UHSA prides itself on giving students individualized attention. Many of our faculty live on campus and are accessible to students. This allows for one-to-one attention even outside the classroom. Further, class size at UHSA is limited so as to promote a low student/professor ratio.

UHSA graduates have secured residencies in major healthcare and teaching facilities throughout the United States and are practicing across the globe in nearly every specialty, including surgery, obstetrics and gynecology, internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine and anesthesiology. UHSA graduates can be found in private practice as well as practicing physicians in hospitals and medical centers and as department heads, faculty, chief residents, popular lecturers and researchers.

As one of the oldest private medical schools in the Caribbean, UHSA is listed with the Avicenna Directory of Medical Schools, formerly the World Health Organization (WHO). UHSA is also recognized by the Education Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG), the Antigua & Barbuda National Accreditation Board (ABNAB), and listed within the International Medical Education Directory (IMED).

This recognition confers eligibility for the medical graduates of the university to take the United States Medical Licensing Examinations (USMLE) in the U.S. and is one of the requirements of the Professional and Linguistic Assessments Board (PLAB) in the U.K. Our listing in the International Medical Education Directory (IMED-FAIMER) also allows our students to take the Medical Council of Canada Qualifying Examination (MCCQE). Nursing students are eligible to take the NCLEX examinations for licensure within the United States.

In 2015, UHSA filed for accreditation with the Caribbean Accreditation Authority for Education in Medicine and other Health Professions (CAAM-HP).

ONE-ON-ONE EDUCATION AND MANY

BENEFITS

- Faculty are world-renowned with outstanding credentials.
- UHSA is one of the oldest medical schools in the Caribbean.
- Extensive teaching hospital network within the U.S., Canada, Puerto Rico, and the U.K.
- Financial aid available for students that qualify.
- Small class sizes ensure students receive individualized attention.
- Students are eligible to take Medical Licensing Examinations including USMLE, MCCQE, and PLAB.
- UHSA is located on a safe and serene 50-acre campus that is conducive to studying.
- On-campus student and faculty residences.
- UHSA operates the only student-driven free clinic in the region
- UHSA is one of few schools in the Caribbean that has a Standardized Patient/Clinical skills unit.

UHSA CARES ABOUT

THE COMMUNITY

STUDENT-DRIVEN FREE CLINIC OF ENGLISH HARBOUR:

In collaboration with Georgetown University's student involved clinic, H.O.Y.A., the Free Clinic of English Harbour is a student-driven free clinic serving the population of English Harbour, Antigua.

The Free Clinic of English Harbour is managed by UHSA medical and nursing students and gives students an opportunity to contribute their clinical skills to a medically underserved patient population, while allowing students to directly experience the social, economic and cultural challenges that impact rural and island healthcare delivery. Furthermore, students are given the opportunity to deepen their inter-professional leadership and organizational skills.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

UHSA students and faculty actively engage in community outreach projects, including health fairs and health education programs at local schools and churches. The UHSA School of Medicine Chapter of the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) provides additional opportunities for students to participate in community-based outreach.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

PROGRAMS

The University of Health Sciences Antigua cares about the success of its students and strives to provide the curriculum, the faculty and the facilities that will ensure success.

OUR PROGRAMS:

MEDICAL DOCTOR PROGRAM (M.D.)
BSC LEADING TO M.D. PROGRAM

MEDICAL DOCTOR PROGRAM (M.D.)

The M.D. Program is a 4-year program, separated into two semesters per year, with entry dates in January and August. The first two years are dedicated to completing the Basic Sciences on-campus in Antigua. Upon completion of the Basic Sciences, students complete a USMLE Preparation course prior to beginning the Clinical Sciences program at UHSA's affiliated teaching hospitals.

BSC LEADING TO M.D.

UHSA has formed partnerships with several outstanding institutions to offer combined programs that lead to an internationally accredited Medical Doctorate upon successful completion. These pathways present an opportunity to study for a fantastic medical career whilst experiencing a new country located in the heart of the Caribbean. This program is offered only to full-time undergraduate Biomedical Sciences students at London Metropolitan University and the University of Wolverhampton.

"Your dreams live on through your students and through their students.When we put our hands on the patient, you are putting your hands on the patient. When we heal, you are also healing through those you have trained. We continue your vision, you will always be with us and we will never forget you."

Written as a memorial to UHSA Founder, Dr. Yele Akande

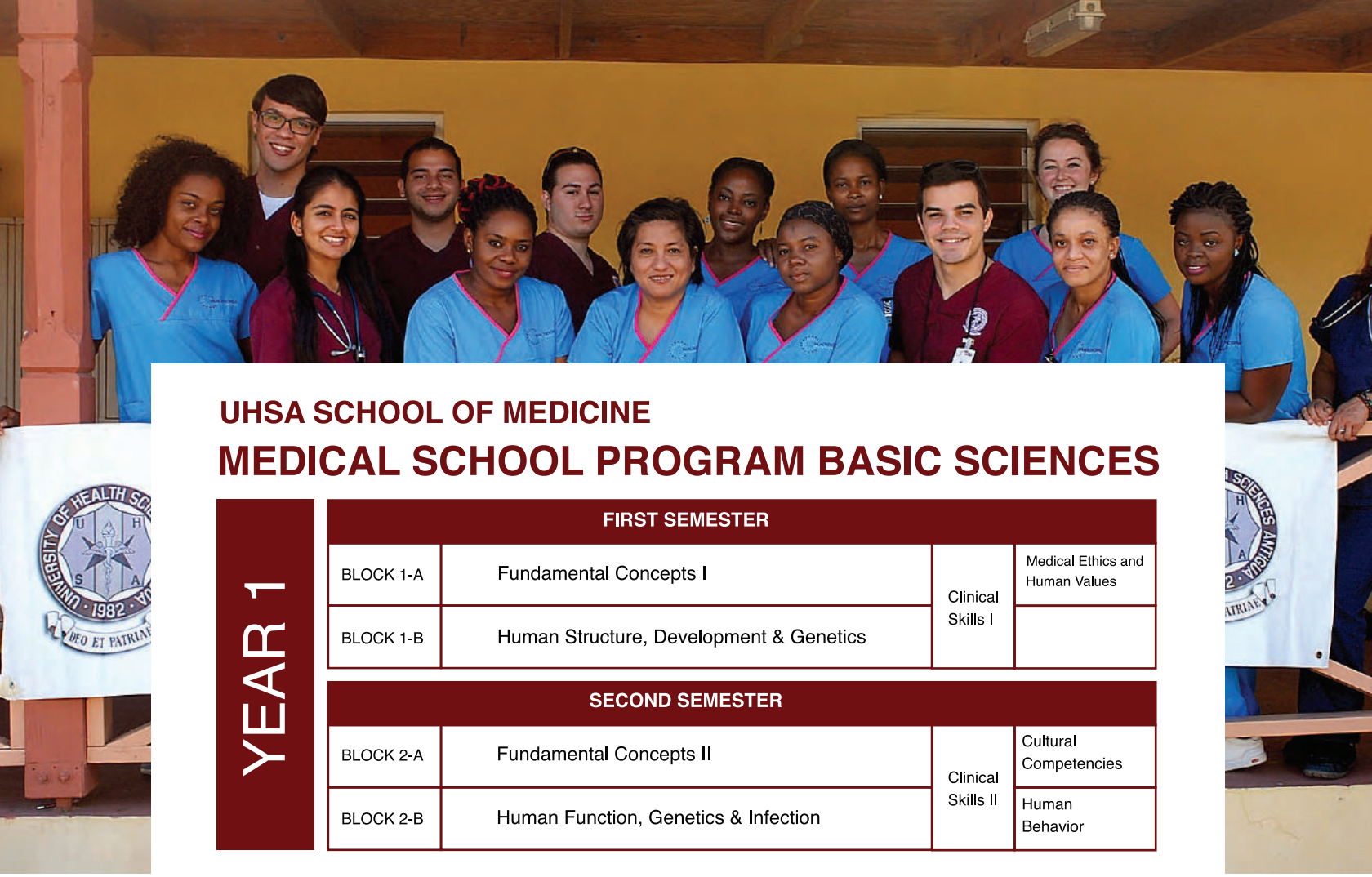
Gary Jackson
and the Class of 2009

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

OPPORTUNITIES

UHSA is excited to announce partnerships with Walden University and Benedictine University to offer UHSA medical students the opportunity to pursue both an M.D. and Master's Degree in fields of their choice. The Master's degree segment of the combined program is delivered online and is available only to those already accepted to the UHSA Medical Doctor program. The M.D. segment of the program follows the guidelines of the UHSA Medical Doctor Program.

Both Benedictine and Walden are accredited institutions that offer programs that compliment the UHSA Medical Doctor program. Eligible UHSA students pursuing the combined program may be eligible to apply for Title IV federal aid, which may be applied to the cost of their Master's degree institution's tuition as well as living expenses incurred while pursuing the online degree.



UHSA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

MEDICAL SCHOOL PROGRAM BASIC SCIENCES

YEAR 1

FIRST SEMESTER			
BLOCK 1-A	Fundamental Concepts I	Clinical Skills I	Medical Ethics and Human Values
BLOCK 1-B	Human Structure, Development & Genetics		

SECOND SEMESTER			
BLOCK 2-A	Fundamental Concepts II	Clinical Skills II	Cultural Competencies
BLOCK 2-B	Human Function, Genetics & Infection		Human Behavior

YEAR 2

FIRST SEMESTER			
BLOCK 3-A	Fundamental Concepts III	Clinical Skills III	Public Health
BLOCK 3-B	Developmental & Genetic Disorders Block		
BLOCK 3-C	Musculoskeletal Block		
BLOCK 3-D	Cardiovascular Block		Introduction to Research
BLOCK 3-E	Pulmonary Block		
BLOCK 3-F	Dermatology Block		

SECOND SEMESTER			
BLOCK 4-A	Gastroenterology Block	Clinical Skills IV	Professionalism
BLOCK 4-B	Nephrology / Urology Block		
BLOCK 4-C	Endocrinology Block		
BLOCK 4-D	Neurology Block		
BLOCK 4-E	Hematology & Immunology Block		BLOCK REVIEW

THIRD YEAR CLINICAL ROTATIONS

Third year core rotations consist of 48 weeks. This forms the foundation of the student's clinical education framework.The rotations are divided into two semesters.

During the fourth year, students must complete 30 weeks of electives.

Examples of electives include: Family Practice, Cardiology, Emergency Medicine, Neurology, Anesthesiology, Orthopedic Surgery, etc. The electives allow students to further explore their interests and diversity their medical education.

CORE ROTATIONS

Rotation	Number of Weeks
Internal Medicine	12 weeks
Surgery	12 weeks
OB/GYN	6 weeks
Pediatrics	6 weeks
Psychiatry	6 weeks
Family Medicine	6 weeks

ELECTIVES

Rotation	Number of Weeks
Electives	30 weeks

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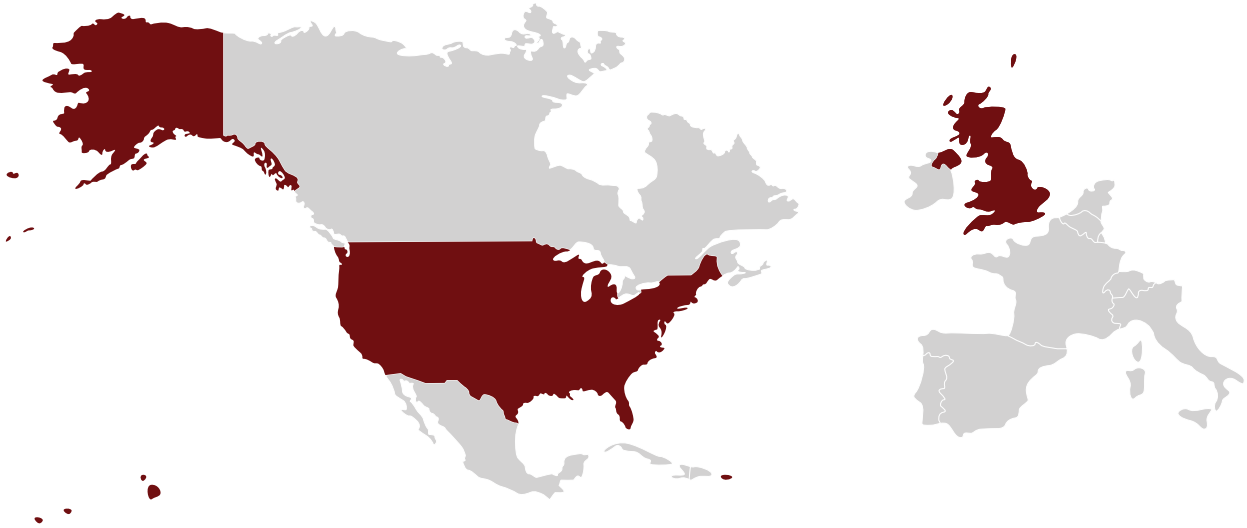
CLINICAL PLACEMENTS



This is a sampling of UHSA's hospital affiliations. For a complete listing, visit www.uhsa.ag.

ALASKA
- Providence Alaska Medical Center

ARIZONA
- VHS Of Phoenix Inc.
- Phoenix Baptist Hospital

CONNECTICUT
- Griffin Hospital

FLORIDA
- Larkin Community Hospital
- Spring Hill Regional Hospital
- Westchester General Hospital
- West Florida Hospital

HAWAII
- Hawaii Health Systems (5 major hospitals & 9 facilities)

Hospitals:
- Kona Community Hospital
- Kohala Hospital
- Leahi Hospital
- Maluhia Kahuku Medical Center

KANSAS
- Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas (Columbus, Iowa, and Pittsburgh)
- Via Christi Hospital Pittsburgh

MARYLAND
- Eastern Shore Area Health Education Center
- Washington Adventist Hospital*

MISSOURI
- Lake Regional Health System

MONTANA
- Benefis Health System

NORTH CAROLINA
- Halifax Regional Medical Center

OHIO
- St. Charles Mercy Hospital

TENNESSEE
- Fort Sanders Parkwest Medical Center
- Mercy Health Partners

Locations:
(7 major hospitals & 19 facilities)

- Mercy Medical Center
- St. Mary's Mercy Medical Center
- West Mercy Medical Center North
- St. Mary's Jefferson Memorial Hospital
- Baptist Hospital of Cocke County
- St. Mary's Medical Center of Campbell County
- St. Mary's Medical Center of Scott County

UTAH
- St. Mark's Hospital Central Utah Clinic

PUERTO RICO
- Centro de Medicina
- Familiary Geriatria San Gerado Hospital
- San Juan City Hospital
- Hospital HIMA San Pablo-Bayamon
- San Juan Capestrano Hospital & Treatment Clinic

AGENCIES:
- Americlerkships Medical Society
- US Clinical Training Services
- Affiliated Institute for Medical Education (A.I.M.E)

UNITED KINGDOM
- Barnesley Hospital NHS
- Foundation Trust Epsom General Hospital

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

JOIN THE UHSA FAMILY!

The application for admission is online and can be accessed at **www.uhsa.ag.**

A Bachelor of Science degree or 90 undergraduate level credit hours are required for admission. The coursework must include the following prerequisites:

General Biology with lab	8 credits
General or Inorganic Chemistry with lab	8 credits
Organic Chemistry with lab	8 credits
General Physics with lab	8 credits
Level Mathematics College level	3 credits
English	6 credits

Applicants planning to practice in Puerto Rico are required to have the following prerequisites in addition to those mentioned above:

College level Spanish	12 credits
College level English	12 credits
Behavioral & Social Sciences	(total) 12 credits*

*These credits may be in: Sociology, Political Sciences, Economics, Anthropology, Psychiatry, etc.

All required documents, if originally in a foreign language, must be accompanied by a notarized English translation. All transcripts documenting post-secondary coursework completed in institutions outside the United States or Canada must also be evaluated by an approved international credential evaluation service. Letters of Recommendation must also be in English.

The following documents should be submitted and sent directly to our USA Correspondence Office:

- Completed Application for Admission
- Official Transcripts of institution attended
- Two 2x2 photos
- Copy of Passport
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Non refundable admission fee of $75.00 U.S.
- Copy of degree attained
- Personal Statement of no less than 400 words
- MCAT is required for all U.S. citizens and permanent residents applying for admission to the school of medicine.

TRANSFERRING TO UHSA

- Two Letters of Recommendation (In English)
- Official Transcripts from medical school (In English)
- Personal Statement (Presenting reasons for transfer/minimum 400 words)
- Letter of good standing from Dean of the School of Medicine
- MCAT is not required for transfer students

MACEDONIA

SCHOOL OF NURSING

The Macedonia School of Nursing is part of the campus of the University of Health Sciences Antigua. The School of Nursing has its own wing at UHSA and is comprised of spacious classrooms equipped with LCD projectors. There are also two simulation laboratories along with practice rooms and discussion areas. Faculty offices for the nursing department are also located in this area. As an added benefit, the nursing school has full access to the facilities of the medical school.

There are many reasons to choose the nursing profession. Registered nurses work to promote health, prevent disease and help patients cope with illness. They are advocates for patients, families and communities. In addition, countries all over the world are experiencing a nursing shortage. According to the US Department of Labor, employment for RN's is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations. Finally, nursing is a well paid occupation with excellent job security.

The nursing program at the University of Health Sciences Antigua is a three year program leading to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. The BSN program is patterned after the curriculum of U.S. nursing schools and the guidelines of the Caribbean Regional Nursing Board. Students receive excellent training from highly credentialed nursing and other faculty. Graduates can practice in the U.S. and Caribbean as well as other parts of the world. The entire program is spent in Antigua.

Students complete practical rotations at the Mount St. John Medical Centre and other government health care facilities in Antigua. Graduates of the program are eligible to take the NCLEX examination and the Regional Examination for Nurse Registration (RENR) in the Caribbean.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed online application
2. Official Transcripts (CXC, GCE, GED)
3. Copies of Academic Certificates/Diplomas
4. Recent passport sized photograph
5. Copy of marriage certificate, if applicable
6. First four pages of valid passport
7. Three letters of recommendation
8. Immunization records (forms provided)
9. Personal Statement

Caribbean Students are required to have five (5) G.C.E. O level passes or five (5) CXC general proficiency grades I ,II or III to include English Language, Mathematics, Chemistry or Physics and Integrated Science or Biology and one general subject.

International Students are required to have their school send official transcripts of high school work including successful completion of English, Math and Chemistry with a minimum grade average of C.

4 TRIMESTER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS: RN degree from a recognized institution

MACEDONIA SCHOOL OF NURSING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING PROGRAM

FIRST YEAR

First Term	Credits
English I	3
General & Organic Chemistry	6
College Algebra	3
Introduction to Psychology	3
Introduction to Philosophy	3
Island Health and Economics	3
Total	**21**

Second Term	Credits
English II	3
Biochemistry	4
Human Growth and Development	3
Introduction to Nursing Profession	3
Introduction to Sociology	3
Anatomy & Physiology	4
Total	**20**

Third Term	Credits
Fundamentals in Nursing I	3
Foreign Language: Spanish I	3
Health Assessment I	3
Pharmacology in Nursing	3
Nutrition	3
Nursing Informatics	2
Anatomy & Physiology II	4
Total	**21**

SECOND YEAR

First Term	Credits
Microbiology	4
Health Assessment II	2
Foreign Language: Spanish II	3
Biostatistics	3
Principles of Pathophysiology	3
Pharmacology in Nursing	3
Strategies of Health Education	3
Total	**21**

Second Term	Credits
Disaster Management and Preparedness	2
Maternal and Child Health Nursing	6
Nursing Ethics	3
Fundamentals of Nursing II	5
Total	**16**

Third Term	Credits
Adult Health Nursing I	5
Nursing Research	3
Fundamentals of Nursing III	5
Total	**13**

THIRD YEAR

First Term	Credits
Community Health Nursing	6
Nursing Leadership	3
Adult Health Nursing II	5
Total	**14**

Second Term	Credits
Mental Health Nursing	6
Gerontological Nursing	6
Total	**12**

Third Term	Credits
Nursing Area of Concentration	6
Total	**6**

Overall Total	**144**

TESTIMONIAL FROM AN

ALUMNI

"I joined UHSA in 1985, when the school was just 3 years old, and qualified in Medicine in 1990. Thereafter I completed an MSc at the University of London in Immunology, a Pediatric Residency at the Bronx-Lebanon Hospital under the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and a Pediatric Infectious Diseases Fellowship at UMDNJ, in Newark, NJ. I am dual board certified in Pediatrics and Pediatric Infectious Diseases and completed a PhD from Oxford University in 2002 before my first faculty appointment as a Consultant and Senior Lecturer in Pediatric Infectious Diseases at St George's Hospital and Medical School, in London. In 2008, I was recruited as an Associate Professor of Pediatrics to Emory University School of Medicine where I also serve as Medical Director of the largest clinic for Pediatric and Adolescent HIV care in the US. In September 2015 I was promoted to a full Professor of Pediatrics at Emory University. I sit on a number of national executive committees and am the Chairperson for the Committee on Pediatric AIDS and the Provisional Section for International Medical Graduates at the American Academy of Pediatrics.

These and other accomplishments would not have been possible without UHSA. I am deeply grateful and very privileged for the education that I received from there."

Rana Chakraborty MD, MSc, FRCPCH, FAAP, DPhil (PhD)
Director, Ponce Family and Youth Clinic
Division of Infectious Diseases, Department of Pediatrics
Emory University School of Medicine
2012-2016 Chair of the Committee on Pediatric Aids and 2013 -2017 Chair of the Provisional Section for International Medical Graduates
American Academy of Pediatrics
UHSA Class of 1990

TESTIMONIAL FROM AN

ALUMNI

"I was a graduate of UHSA in 1992. I consider myself very blessed to have been a student at UHSA. The environment was conducive to learning. The faculty and staff were great and the curriculum was fantastic and in depth, preparing students well for their future career in medicine. I am very proud to call UHSA my Alma Mater."

Dr. Caroline Olaleye
Clinical Associate of Pediatrics Comer Children's Hospital The University of Chicago Private Practice
Child Life Center Flossmoor, Illinois
Class of 1992

RESIDENCY
APPOINTMENTS

Just a sampling of where UHSA graduates have conducted their residencies:

- Methodist Health System Dallas
- Medical College of Georgia
- York Hospital Pennsylvania
- Howard University Hospital
- Medical Center of Columbus
- University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health
- University South Florida College of Medicine
- E.A. Conway Medical Center
- Spartanburg Regional Healthcare South Carolina
- St Mary's Hospital Connecticut
- Robert Packer Hospital/Guthrie Health and Medical care
- Lynchburg Family Medicine Residency Virginia
- SIU Family Medicine
- St Louis University School of Medicine

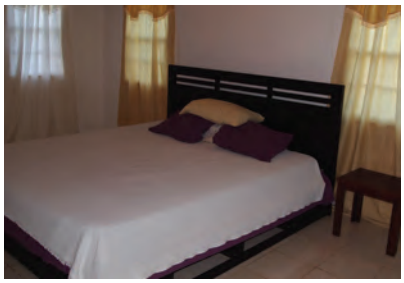
LEARN IN A PLACE LIKE NO OTHER

CAMPUS FACILITIES

- 24/7 campus security
- Administrative and faculty offices
- Computer laboratories with state-of-the-art workstations
- Indoor and outdoor high-speed wireless Internet
- Simulation laboratories
- Student library
- Housing for students and faculty
- Cafeteria
- 24 hour indoor workout facility
- Standarized patient laboratory and clinical skills unit
- Student lounge
- Anatomy laboratory
- Fitness Facility

DORMITORY ROOMS ARE EQUIPPED WITH:

- Refrigerator and microwave
- Private bathroom and patio
- Laundry facilities are conveniently located



LIVING IN ANTIGUA

With 365 beaches - one for each day of the year - living on the island of Antigua will be a memorable and unique experience. Antigua has a large European and American ex-pat population that call the island home. Antigua is proud to be one of the safest islands in the Caribbean. Temperatures generally range from the mid-seventies in the winter to the mid-eighties during the summer.

Antigua is a major airport hub with direct flights to and from Miami, Toronto, New York and the United Kingdom. You will immediately feel at home the minute you arrive and comforted by the friendly personalities of the Antiguan people.

STUDENT HOUSING

During your stay in Antigua, we understand that you will be in a foreign country so we want your stay to be as comfortable as possible. Housing is available in single and double occupancy rooms, depending on availability.

“It has been a great experience and a great chance of being able to study at UHSA. This University has very good professors and even if we have to work hard for our graduation, I must say that the facilities, classroom, library and the campus give an exceptional area to work in beautiful and efficient conditions. I really appreciated also the University staff who try to do their best every day to permit students to be well informed."

Dr. Jean-Yves Leroy M.D. Uro-Gynaecology. Geneva, Switzerland
Class of 2000

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FINANCIAL AID

We understand that pursuing your doctorate of medicine degree represents a major financial commitment for our students and their families.

UHSA provides you with the support and financial assistance that will make your medical education more affordable. Students accepted to the School of Medicine program will have the option of not only applying for private student loans, but may be eligible for other programs.

GUIDELINES OF THE STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM:

- Available only to eligible US Students and US Permanent Residents
- A credit report FICO score of at least 650
- Low, variable interest rate 7.5%
- Simple application process completed online
- No pre-payment penalties
- This program is designed to cover tuition, housing and expenses throughout the entire medical program

GOVERNMENT LOANS FOR CANADIAN STUDENTS:

- Loans recognized for the purposes of the Canada Student Loans Program
- Awarded through the Ministry of Education for each province.
- Canadian students are eligible for private loans through local banks such as Bank of Montreal, Royal Bank of Canada, and TD Canada Trust.

We are happy to answer any questions you have regarding your financial aid options.
Please e-mail financialaid@uhsa.edu.ag or contact 866.719.0302 option 4 for the Office of Financial Aid.

Ready to move forward with your medical career?
Take the first leap towards becoming
a physician or nurse. Apply to UHSA!

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