28 students will be selected to join the OPPA Dominican Republic team.

The OPPA contacts for information and questions regarding the trip are Alexis Almeida at almeidaa@mailbox.sc.edu or Kiersten Kendall at kkendall@email.sc.edu.

The OPPA team leaders are Alexis Almeida, Pre-Professional Advising, and Eric Williams, MD.

The program cost is $1835, which includes accommodations, travel within country, and most meals. Costs not covered include travel to country, a few meals, insurance through Study Abroad, free time outings, and personal spending money. There is also an airport fee when returning to the U.S. of around $50.

Travel to and from the Dominican Republic is not included.

The schedule is as follows:

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**Flight Information**

Travel is not covered in your program fee; therefore, you have three options

1. Fly on the same flight as your Team Leaders

2. Fly out of the connector flight in Miami (cheaper but have to find your way to Miami or arrange carpools)

3. Choose a flight that arrives in country and departs from country within two hours of your team leaders flight.

   - You will be flying into and departing from AILA Airport DR.

   - You must have a passport that is valid for six months after your return date (September 13th 2017)
Mandatory Meetings

It is mandatory that you attend one of the following meetings:

February 5, Sunday, noon-2:00
Or
February 12, Sunday noon-2:00

We will be discussing

- The culture and health care system in the Dominican Republic
- Trip Itinerary
- Roles and Responsibilities

We will also be practicing blood pressure, and otoscope use.

Please bring your blood pressure cuff and stethoscope to the meeting you attend.

The week in the Dominican Republic will include a combination of home visits to the village locals, medical clinics, and cultural activities. The first full day will be an orientation provided by our hosts. The last full day will be a leisure day. The hotels in which we stay are clean and have the basic necessities, but are by no means resort-like. Wi-fi will be available. Bottled water will be available at all times throughout our trip. The restaurants at which we eat are hand-picked by our hosts and will use bottled water for cooking and will cook all foods thoroughly.