

Living the Manchester mission through Medical Practicum

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In 1981, Dr. Ed Miller took a group of students and volunteers to Guatemala to provide medical services to local residents, and Medical Practicum was born. Since then, Manchester University has made 37 trips to Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Honduras and Panama, providing medical and dental care in areas of desperate need.

We can measure the impact of medical practicum [statistically](#), but the lifelong impact on MU students is immeasurable.

I never imagined the impact Medical Practicum would have on me as a student, and then continuously in my career.

As a student, I made meaningful connections with those I looked up to and gained a greater appreciation for the medical field. I learned that being authentic is the most

valuable skill we can offer our patients.

*As a provider, I was able to serve people in need in a way I've always had a passion for. There are challenges we will face in our careers that allow us to grow into more compassionate providers - Medical Practicum will show you just that.
Lauren Hedges '17, D.D.S.*

The providers – doctors, dentists, pharmacists, nurses and others – have a unique opportunity to help and to teach.

*To me, Medical Practicum means adventure, sharing and connection. Having traveled with over a hundred MU students in the past 28 years on Medical Practicum trips and seeing the impact their personal and professional lives have had on our world gives me great joy, satisfaction and hope for our future.
Paul Fry-Miller '75, P.A.-C.*

But we need you and your support to continue providing the opportunity to our students to truly live a life of compassion and service to others through Medical Practicum. Please [consider a gift today](#) – you will make a difference to so many.

With our sincere gratitude,

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