

5th December 2017

Electives for medical students in 2018

Following on from the success of previous electives for COMAHS students with King's Health Partners, we are pleased to open the application process for those who will be entering the fifth year of the medical degree course in 2018. Please note that we are still in discussion with our UK colleagues to ensure that they will host students from Sierra Leone and are awaiting final confirmation of that. All offers made will be subject to final confirmation from the UK and successful progression into the fifth year.

Application process

Application forms are available online on the KSLP website:

www.kslp.org.uk/get-involved/student-electives

The deadline for submission is by the end of Sunday 17th December. All completed application forms must be submitted electronically to suzanne.thomas@kcl.ac.uk. The selection will be based upon the content of the completed application form and will be conducted by two representatives from the King's Sierra Leone Partnership (KSLP).

Once the selection has been made, successful students will need to complete an online application for the central electives office in London by Friday 2nd February 2018. There is a lot of documentation that needs to be sent with the application (e.g. evidence of immunity for specified conditions, chest X-ray, transcripts from COMAHS, letter of recommendation from the Dean etc.) and it is essential that this is submitted by the deadline or else the elective place will be lost.

Funding

Unfortunately KSLP is not able to provide any funding for COMAHS students who undertake electives in the UK. Students must find their own funding to cover the cost of transcripts, immunisations, visas, flights, accommodation, food and transport while in the UK. However we will waive the application fee and elective fee which other students have to pay when they undertake electives with King's College London.

Estimated costs for some of these items paid by students who visited in 2017 are outlined below. Students should carefully consider if they can afford to undertake an elective before applying.

- Documentation (transcripts, police letter, X-ray, immunisations) - £50
- Additional blood tests / vaccinations in London - £100
- Visa – £400 (also note that you are required to show that you have £2600 in your or your parents bank account for 28 days before your visa application)
- Flights – between £700 - £900
- Accommodation & travel in London – depends on where you stay. Practically you need to have a contact to stay with i.e. family or friend

Questions

Any further questions about this elective programme should be addressed to Suzanne Thomas (KSLP Education Lead) via email suzanne.thomas@kcl.ac.uk or on Whatsapp +23276956816