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Medical Missionaries Appoints Two Global Health Fellows, 2016-2017

Medical Missionaries is pleased to announce the appointment of two Global Health Fellows, graduates of U.S. universities who will devote a year of their lives serving the poor in Haiti before completing their graduate degrees in medicine and public health.

Samuel Starke will graduate from St. Louis University in May 2016 with a degree in Public Health and Biology. When not at the university, he lives in Germantown, Wisconsin.

Sam has served as Executive Vice President of Global Brigades to Nicaragua and made medical mission trips to Nicaragua in 2015 and 2016. At St. Louis University, he has done extensive work in the medical lab and has conducted biological research studies, especially the study of signal transduction in yeast cells. Sam has also assisted with the Survey of Health of Wisconsin, a study of the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.

Sam is a member of the Alpha Epsilon Delta Pre-Health Club, the Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit Honors Society, and the Student Outbreak Response Team.

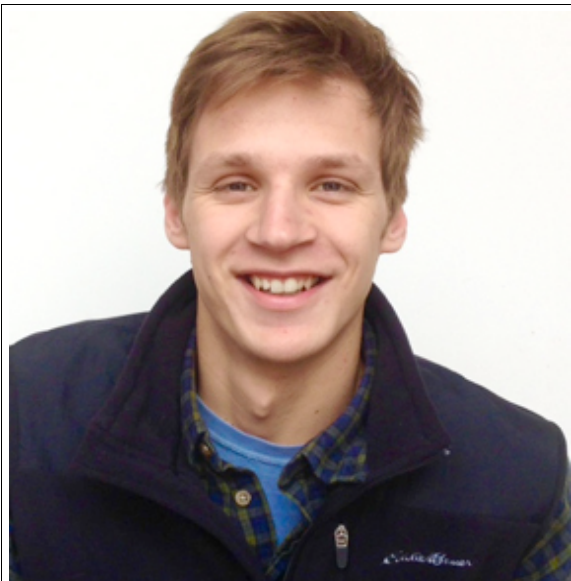
Lacey Marie Smith will graduate in May 2016 from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California, with a degree in Health and Human Sciences. When not at the university, Lacey lives in Newbury Park, California.

Lacey has served as Clinic Assistant and Vice President for the Lions for Venice Family Clinic, and as Veteran Emergency Medical Technician for Loyola Marymount University Medical Services. She has conducted cardiovascular research studies and, in summer 2014, conducted a study of waterborne pathogens in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Aside from her academic pursuits, Lacey is a member of the LMU Theatre Program, where she has put her acting, voice, and piano skills to good use.

Lacey is a member of Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society and Alpha Nu Jesuit Honors Society. She is in the Loyola Marymount University Honors Program and has been on the Dean's list every semester.

Sam and Lacey will participate in Global Health Fellowship orientation over the next four months and will begin their year of service at St. Joseph Clinic in Thomassique, Haiti, in June 2016. They will replace Frederique Jean Baptiste and Michael Wu, who will complete their year of service at the end of June 2016.

Medical Missionaries, a 501(c)(3) company, is a volunteer group of more than 200 doctors, nurses, dentists, and others who work to improve the health of the poorest of the poor in the U.S. and throughout the world. We provide medical care and medical supplies, clothing and food to the areas we serve. One area of focus has been along the Haiti-Dominican Republic border. In Thomassique, Haiti, we have built and support St. Joseph Clinic (hospital), the first medical facility in this region of more than 125,000 people.



Samuel Starke



Lacey Smith