Student’s testimonies

Suriname Course
“The practicum in Suriname was much more than I could have ever expected”

“I presented in front of a panel of the top disaster personnel in the country. This was intimidating, but a wonderful opportunity for me.”

“One lesson I learned during my time in Suriname: use the opportunity whenever you have it.”

Mary, Environmental Health student
“Our environmental public health course combined informative and interesting lectures given by Surinamese experts, covering a wide array of topics unique to the country, with a hands-on taste of environmental and public health in action”

“One of the most valuable experiences of the trip was our hike into the rainforest. There, we had the sobering and eye-opening opportunity to see active small-scale gold mining operations that contrasted with pristine rainforest”

N. Nakata, participant on environmental public health course
“The overall impacts and implications of pesticide laws also became evident as the lax pesticide laws contributed to high pesticide induced suicide rates in the country”

“The working environment was extremely encouraging, and I made fast friends with the other employees. We not only talked about the environmental law situation in Suriname, but also the Suriname culture and lifestyle.”

(Pey Shan) Pearl Kuo- MSPH Candidate
On-site at an Informal Gold Mining Operation