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## A STUDY ABROAD TESTIMONY BY IMARI GREEN



After a thorough application and interview process, I was fortunate enough to be able to gain an internship with the International Medical Aid Program in Mombasa, Kenya. While I was there I spent most of my time in the partnered hospital (Coast General Teaching and Referral Hospital) shadowing the Obstetrics and Gynecology department. I had the opportunity to learn from the students and medical staff there about the Kenyan healthcare system and the common disparities they see daily.

Shadowing a hospital that is largely underfunded and under-resourced, volunteering at community medical clinics, and seeing patients in their homes and villages is something that I will never forget and has completely changed the way I see healthcare.



Talking with patients and hearing their stories, and seeing their joy despite going through some of the toughest circumstances was grounding and inspiring. This allowed me to gain a new perspective on global healthcare and lit a fire in me to fight for equity in these systems. I would recommend a global internship to anyone who is pursuing a career in medicine because you will never be the same after such an invaluable experience.

