Medicine & Science An Envision Global Forum

Australia & New Zealand - Sample Schedule

Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

Arrive in Christchurch, New Zealand

Upon exiting customs at Christchurch Airport you will be met by an Envision representative who will escort you to your shuttle. Meet your fellow *Medicine & Science* scholars, your Faculty Advisor and your local Christchurch guide.

Group Meetings

Meet the members of your discussion group, process the events of the week ahead and lay the groundwork for the focus of your group's presentation.

Day 2: Medical Care in the South Pacific

Visit a New Zealand Medical School

Spend time at a local medical school where professionals from the medical community provide insight into the structure, opportunities and barriers of the medical systems of Australia and New Zealand. Later, university staff and students will provide first hand insight on the medical education system and the current challenges facing the medical community of Christchurch.

Medical Care and Trauma

Attend a panel presentation on the challenges of managing large scale trauma and providing service to emergency room victims when a natural disaster occurs. Learn what skills and training are required for emergency, medical and first responder care providers. You will hear firsthand accounts from medical specialists who make quick life-saving decisions.

An Evening on Your Own in Christchurch

Enjoy your free time exploring the Garden City's shops located on the famous Cashel Street, attend a show at the Court Theatre, and much more.

Day 3: Explore Christchurch with Your New Friends from Around the World A Day on Your Own in South Island

Enjoy your final day in Christchurch exploring on your own or choose from one of our suggested activities such as enjoying a local Christchurch tour or travel outside the city and visit the French harbor side village of Akoroa. Take the *TranzAlpine* train through the Southern Alps, or tour Edoras, one of the most famous Lord of the Rings filming locations.

Traditional Maori Hangi Cultural Dinner and Show

Conclude your first full day in New Zealand with an exclusive Kiwi tour, hangi dinner and Maori cultural show.

Day 4: Journey to Sydney

Fly to Sydney, Australia

Catch your morning flight to Sydney, Australia. A local Sydney guide will welcome you and take you on a city tour including The Rocks Settlement where lunch will be provided. After having time to explore The Rocks, you will check into the Metro Hotel, conveniently located in downtown Sydney.

An Evening on Your Own in Sydney

Minutes away from your hotel, visit city highlights such as the shops and restaurants of Darling Harbor, the ferry terminals of Circular Quay and Paddy's Market near Chinatown. Don't miss Vivid Sydney, a "Festival of Light, Music & Ideas" that showcases the city's architecture with neon light shows at nightfall. A true highlight for all visitors to Sydney.

Day 5: Australian Outback and Bush Medicine

Group Meetings

Spend time today with your discussion and planning group, applying insights gained from your experience thus far.

Visit an Australian Walkabout Wildlife Park: Calga Springs

Travel outside of Sydney to the bush where you will have an opportunity to be guided by a ranger who will highlight many natural forms of medical treatment using bush medicine. In addition, you will get up close and personal with some of Australia's famous wild life such as kangaroos and koalas in their natural habitat.

Donald Wilhelm Museum of Human Disease

Join us for an exclusive look at over 2,000 specimens at the pathology museum at the University of New South Wales. Specimens of treatable and still-to-treat diseases from a vast tissue archive are on display, many with clinical histories.

Day 6: Tropical Medicine and Sydney Opera House

Tropical Infectious Diseases

Australia is unique among well developed countries in having a substantial population living in the tropics. In this presentation, we'll learn how 21st century medicine tackles the unique pathogens of the tropical regions, and investigate the role that medical professionals play in treating these diseases.

Sydney Opera House Tour: Cultural Centre of the City

Step inside the dream of Dutch architect Jorn Utzon and engulf yourself in the rich history behind this UNESCO World Heritage Site. A tour guide will lead you, complete with audio headsets, throughout the Opera House sharing the architectural, economical and political challenges that faced the construction of Sydney's most famous building.

Day 7: Explore Sydney with Your New Friends from Around the World

Group Meetings

At this final group meeting, draw upon the culmination of your group's program experiences to present your presentation to your peers.

A Day on Your Own in Sydney

Hop on a ferry to one of Sydney's famous neighborhoods such as Bondi or Manly Beach, book a ticket for the world famous Sydney Harbour BridgeClimb or shop at Paddy's Market in Chinatown.

Farewell Dinner

Enjoy this last evening in Sydney as staff and students gather for a final farewell dinner.

Day 8: Depart for the Port Douglas Extension or Head Home