# **Travel Scholarship Awards – previous winners**



#### Holly Backhurst College student (2014 -2016)

Volunteered in the Peruvian Amazon with the British Exploring Society for a five week expedition in summer 2016.

Holly did a range of activities whist in Peru - she worked on a banana plantation, helped build a bio garden in a local school and conducted scientific research into leaf cutter ant colonies.

"Peru has left me with an abundance of new friendships, memories and a relentless desire to explore. I don't think I could have ever anticipated just what an amazing experience this would be. It has equipped me with the knowledge, skills and confidence that I need to begin my next journey in life."





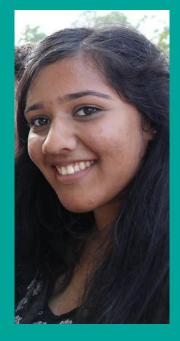




### **Karampreet Dhoot College student (2015 – 2017)** Volunteered in Cambodia for two weeks in July 2016

Karampreet helped nurses with home visits, providing healthcare to those who cannot afford medical assistance or medicines and helped educate children about hygiene.

"I would recommend this project to anyone, I gained so much confidence and independence through travelling to Cambodia and back, as well as the many challenges I faced while out there. It was so eye-opening to see how their hospitals work and taught me how I shouldn't take the things I have for granted; like clean drinking water and a safe house to live in."





### Molly Fleet College student (2014 – 2016) Volunteered in hospitals in the Dominican Republic for two

weeks with Gap Medics in March 2017.

Molly shadowed a surgical nurse in a private hospital and an internal medicine nurse in a public hospital.

"Gap Medics offer placements all over the world for students wanting to go into the health profession so they can experience what other countries health systems are like. I learnt a lot over the two weeks. Each evening Dr Eric would give us talks about specific health issues that people were facing. This included diabetes, HIV and tuberculosis and how they are trying to educate the people in order for them to understand their health better and properly use the resources that are available."







## **Rian McCawley and Daniel Warnes College students (2014 – 2016)** Volunteered in conservation efforts in the Peruvian Amazon for three weeks in June 2016

Rian and Dan volunteered in logging monitoring, collecting ecological data from small lakes and swamps and capturing, measuring and tagging Cayman.

"After our time in the jungle we spent four days of trekking 70km of the Andes. The trek climaxed at Machu Picchu – one of the Seven Wonders of the World! Absolutely stunning scenery and overall amazing experience."







