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1 ABOUT AMSA AND GHC22

1.1 AMSA

The Australian Medical Students' Association (AMSA) is the peak representative body for over 17,000 medical students from 22 medical schools in Australia. Our team of medical student volunteers work together to create world-class professional events, advocacy campaigns, community initiatives, projects and publications.

For more about AMSA, please visit our website www.amsa.org.au

1.2 GHC22

The Global Health Conference (GHC) is the second largest event run by AMSA and is one of the key highlights of the year.

The 18th AMSA GHC will be held in Melbourne from the 26th to 30th of August 2022. The event will host hundreds of medical student delegates from across Australia and New Zealand for five days that involves an inspiring academic program, enchanting festival day and captivating social nights.



2 ACADEMIC VISION STATEMENT

The Academic Team hopes that the academic program of GHC22 can be an incredible experience for all delegates, no matter their global health or personal background. GHC is a unique conference that attracts passionate delegates from across Australia. We will strive to ensure that each delegate emerges from the conference with new ideas and having had their knowledge and biases challenged. The Academic Team wants GHC to equip delegates with the basic skills to inspire them to create tangible change in the global health sphere and ultimately become not only better medical students, but engaged global citizens.

Delegates attending the conference should engage with a program that is varied in the scope of topics, yet is overall a cohesive journey. Delegates should have the space to explore and engage with the program in a way that allows them to both deeply dive into one area of interest, or broadly review multiple. The program will be curated to acknowledge the individual place that delegates are at in their own Global Health journeys. It should create a platform for personal development, whether they are new to concepts or have had many years of Global Health education.

Importantly, the academic program should be a safe space; one for delegates to feel accepted for how they are, to make mistakes, to learn and understand complexities, to acknowledge their biases and to be free of judgement. The program strives to be respectful of, consulted with and led by First Nations Australians, the LGBTQIA+ community, Refugees and Asylum seekers, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and other minority groups of people in our diverse communities.

Finally, the team expects professionalism and mutual respect towards delegates, speakers, experts, presenters and facilitators in attendance of the academic program. We ask delegates, facilitators, and speakers to enter the academic program with an open mind; open to learning new things, gaining different perspectives and engaging as best they can.

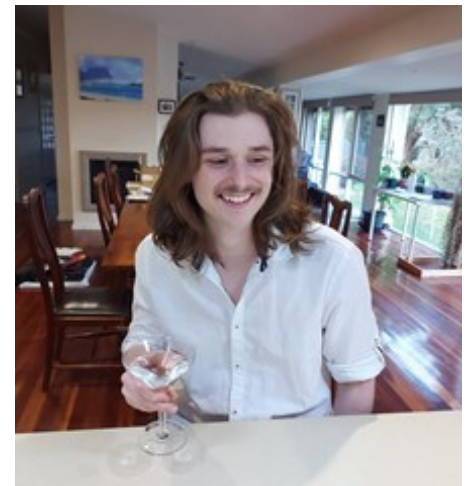


3 MEET THE TEAM

3.1 Lachlan Faktor

Hello there! I'm Lachy, an honours student between 4th and 5th year of Medicine at Monash! I'm super excited to be part of a STELLAR academic lineup alongside Izzy and Sean. My passions in global health extend far and wide, but I am particularly interested in climate health, non-communicable disease in a global setting, refugee and asylum seeker health, and women's health - my research project is based at The Burnet Institute and focuses on Quality Improvement of Antenatal Care in PNG!

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3.2 Sean Yip



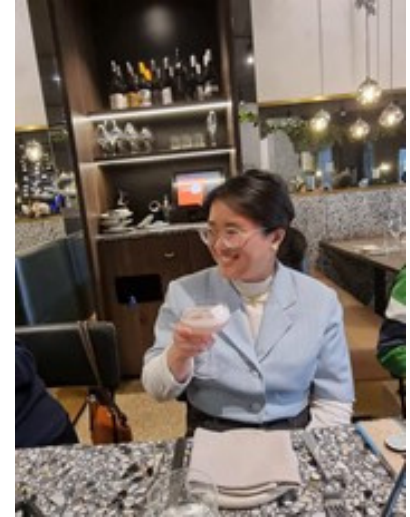
Hi! I'm Sean - currently a Masters of Public Health student between 3rd and 4th year at the University of Melbourne. I am particularly passionate about how global health tackles equity, breaking down cultural and ethnic divisions as well as the interweaving facets of politics, economics and ideological agendas in our health landscape. I believe we need to appreciate our past to better grapple with our present and future aspirations. I also love helping to organise big conferences and was involved in running and curating half of the workshops at my Melbourne MD Student Conference (MDSC) in 2021

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3.3 Isabel Lee

Heya! I'm Isabel and I'm a third year undergraduate student from Monash University. I have a particular passion for gender equity, queer health, and anti-racism within medicine (and the wider world), as well as environmental sustainability. I was the 2021 MUMUS Gender Equity Officer, getting involved in curriculum change, event planning, and some social media. I'm originally from Adelaide, but moved to Melbourne to study!



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4 THE PROGRAM

Firstly, the academic venue is at Centrepiece, Melbourne Park (Olympic Blvd, Melbourne VIC 3000). We will have access to every space imaginable, and a raft of AV equipment to create interesting and engaging breakouts.



GHC22 is held from Friday 26th August 2022, to Tuesday 30th August 2022. The rough schedule is as follows:

Dates (2022)	What's On
Friday 26th August	Opening Ceremony
Saturday 27th August	Academics Program
Sunday 28th August	Academics Program
Monday 29th August	Festival Day
Tuesday 30th Augsut	Half Academics Program + Closing Ceremony

The academic team is responsible for filling these days, with plenaries, breakouts, workshops and field trips that will blow the delegates minds!

5 CONFERENCE THEMES

5.1 Day Themes

Each day of GHC academics has a broad theme that will guide the perspectives for each of the sessions. These are:

Day 1: Understanding the limits - Saturday 27th August

On this first day, we want delegates to understand how the various lenses we use to look at the past can completely change our perceptions of our history, and our flaws. We hope to challenge our delegates' ideas of what our limits are, and encourage them to see the limits that hold us back in our daily lives that may go unnoticed in our subconscious.

Day 2: Challenging the limits - Sunday 28th August

On this second day, we want to showcase how incredible people are innovating in our current society to push the limits of what we know, and what we can do. We hope to show our delegates that despite the limitations of our society, we as individuals have the power to make change and challenge the norm.

Day 3: Breaking the limits - Tuesday 30th August

To wrap up GHC, we want to give our delegates the opportunity to test and break the limits of the future. With the conclusion of the Global Health Case Competition, and a host of great speakers, we hope to give our delegates the tools, skills and confidence they need to break the limits of the future.

5.2 Session Themes

Across the conference we hope to explore 6 different themes of global health. We want each delegate to experience a slice of each theme to get a holistic experience of global health.

Identity, Anatomy & Medicine

This theme focuses on global health issues surrounding gender diverse and queer health, as well as the health of people with female reproductive systems.

Global & Future Threats to Human Health

This theme explores issues relating to current and future issues that humans will face in the coming years. This includes planetary/climate health, humanitarian war/geopolitical unrest, nuclear war and the non-communicable diseases crisis.

Anti-racism

This theme aims to educate delegates on first nations health, as well as refugee and asylum seeker health, and other groups that experience discrimination on the basis of race.

Infectious Diseases

This theme looks at areas such as the covid 19 pandemic, vaccine policies and distribution, neglected tropical diseases and other infectious disease such as tuberculosis which are important global health issues

Mind and Body

This theme focuses on areas often neglected in global health, such as mental health, stigma, burnout of health professionals and disability and medicine.

Miscellaneous

As there is such an incredible amount of global health issues to explore, it is next to impossible to sort them into 6 neat categories, hence the introduction of this theme. Some areas the academic team are looking at for this stream is media & medicine, global health ethics and technology in medicine.

6 SESSION TYPES

6.1 Plenaries

Plenaries are big showcase talks (think TED Talks), usually accompanied by a keynote, that all 600-900 delegates at the conference attend. There are usually 2-3 in a day and help bring all the delegates back to one place. Plenaries may also take the form of a panel discussion.

Each plenary is 60-75 minutes (including 15 minutes for audience questions) , and there will be one plenary per session theme (6 in total).

6.2 Breakouts

Breakouts are the smaller sessions that are run in between plenaries in smaller groups of delegates. Each breakout will fit into one of the 6 themes, and multiple breakouts will be happening simultaneously. These may be interactive, or more didactic, depending on the session. The number of delegates can be varied based on the needs of the session, with the potential for 50-150 delegates per session.

Each breakout is 60 minutes, and there will be a total of 36 breakouts during the conference.

6.3 Workshops

Workshops are hands-on style sessions such as disaster stations, suturing/birthing workshops, and dynamic, skills-based tasks. Numbers are usually limited for these sessions to allow for adequate mentoring. These sessions will likely have around 50 delegates. They will run at the same time as breakouts.

Each workshop is 75 minutes, and there will be 12-18 workshops during the conference.

6.4 Field Trips

Field Trips are unique delegate experience, where they will be taken out of Centrepiece (where the conference is held) and given the opportunity to explore locations in Melbourne. These may focus on health initiatives, not for profits doing great work around the city, or be an opportunity to volunteer.

Only 3 fieldtrips will take place over the conference

6.5 Global Health Case Competition

You may be familiar with the Emory Global Health Case Competition, or the concept of a “Hackathon”. Our program will include something similar; the Global Health Case Competition (GHCC).

The GHCC will be an ‘opt in’ extra which delegates can engage in during the conference, with specific sessions where they will:

- Be given background to a current global health issue and asked to generate innovative solutions as teams
- Be given time to research potential solutions to this global health challenge
- Have access to sessions with experts in the field; to help develop their ideas
- Develop a presentation/pitch

The best presentations/pitches will be presented to the whole conference on the final academic day, aligning with the theme of ‘Breaking the Limits’. One team will be picked as the winners, and may have potential to further develop their idea.



7 WHAT GHC22 & ACADEMICS CAN OFFER YOU

7.1 Opportunity to Engage with Future Doctors

The academics team would love to give you, or the organisation you work for, research with or volunteer for, an opportunity to spread your positive message and inspire change among 600-900 future doctors.

If you were to work with us to develop a breakout, plenary, field trip, workshop, or as part of GHCC, it would be a chance to interact with the future generation of healthcare professionals.

7.2 Reimbursement/Fees

AMSA is a not-for-profit organisation, which relies heavily on pro bono services and in-kind donations. However, we do have a limited budget that can be negotiated, should you and your organisation require speaker fees, accommodation, meals and partial flight reimbursement.

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