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Building Interprofessional Global Health Infrastructure at a University and Health System: Navigating Challenges and Scaling Successes

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- Global Health Initiatives Committee (GHIC)
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Global Health at Jefferson Timeline

Formal Global Health Presidential Task Force in 2010

Global Health Informal Working Group in 2006

University-Wide Global Health Initiatives Committee (GHIC) in May 2011-present

Associate Provost for Global Affairs hired in 2016

1st Annual Global Jefferson Day on January 30th, 2017 to announce Global Jefferson

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Goal
To create a focused initiative, within the academic pillar of Jefferson (university and health system), which enables Jefferson stakeholders to incorporate global health concepts into education, service, and scholarship into the delivery of health care and community health initiatives.

Outcomes
- Engaged in 30+ scholarly initiatives, posters and presentations
- Delivered 20+ seminars promoting global health at the university
- Organized 10 student-led forums
- Published 7 peer reviewed articles and 4 publications
- Developed a series of modules for the interactive Curricula Experience (iCE) Platform & App

Future Initiatives
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