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A. Basic Information: Fill in the eight fields below.

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- 5.Major (& Minor): Biology
- 6.Title of Project: Dominican Republic Rural Health Scholars
- 7.Expected Project Start Date (Month/Day/Year or Month/Year): 12/11/2015
- 8.Expected Project End Date (Month/Day/Year or Month/Year): 12/18/2015

Other Information: Fill in one or both of the fields below only if they apply to your project.

- 1.Project Advisor/Mentor: Karen Ganss
- 2.SUU students collaborating with you on this project: Group from Rural Health Scholars
- 3.The organization you will be working with and a link to their website: Rural Health Scholars
<http://www.suu.edu/ahec/rural-scholars.html>

B. Project Abstract: In a paragraph of approximately 200 words, provide an overview (or abstract) of your proposed Global EDGE Project. Please include in your abstract the following items associated with your project: who, what, where, when, why, and how.

On December 11, 2015, I will be traveling to the Dominican Republic with an organization from Southern Utah University called Rural Health Scholars. We are traveling over there to bring health services to the native people. They aren't always offered the resources for medical care like we are here in the United States. After going to several meetings that deal with learning about the culture and language, it will help to prepare us for what we will encounter. A list of supplies that is scarce over there has been collected so that we may bring those necessary resources. Once we arrive in the Dominican, we will spend a week of providing the natives with health care from many departments. I will have the opportunity to shadow a doctor while we are there and be part of the procedures. This gives me the chance to have a hands on experience and continue my drive for a medical career.

C. Project Details: Provide responses to the five prompts below. If you are unsure how to respond adequately to any of the prompts, send me an e-mail (harrisk@suu.edu), and I will offer guidance.

1. Personal: In a paragraph of approximately 100 words, explain how your EDGE project is related to your personal motivations or how it will promote your career aspirations or both. What are your goals (personal and/or professional) in completing this project? What learning outcomes (new skills and/or knowledge) do you expect to achieve?

My EDGE project relates closely to my plans for the future. I plan on going into the medical field, and one of the best ways for me to get experience in this field is to work hands on. My goals are to learn and experience if this is the right path for me. I love to constantly help other people, and by going to the Dominican Republic hopefully this will teach me of the medical ways I can do that. I will be doing tasks that are unfamiliar to me, which will increase my knowledge for future experiences I will encounter.

2. Timeline: In a bullet-point list, provide a step-by-step timeline for completion of your project. This timeline should list the specific dates by which you plan to complete each step leading up to the project, the project itself, and the completion of the project. If your project involves travel, be sure to include your dates of travel. Please also include the semester you plan to take UNIV 4925 EDGE Program Completion. List each step as a bullet point. Below is a sample timeline with some items you might need to include in your own timeline. Please include as many details as possible about the steps you need to take to prepare and complete your project.

- November 16, 2015: Finalize Payment
- November 18, 2015: Plane ticket
- November 27, 2015: Gather donations from hospital to take
- December 2015: Complete UNIV 3925
- December 11, 2015: Fly to Dominican Republic
- December 11-18, 2015: Provide clinics in DR
- December 18, 2015: Return back to US
- Fall 2017: Complete UNIV 4925

3. Budget: In the table below, provide a detailed budget with a breakdown of (A) the costs associated with your project and (B) the financial resources available to you to complete the project. Add and delete rows to the table as necessary for your project. Column B must be \geq column A; that is, your total resources must be greater than or equal to your total costs. The table below includes a few sample costs and resources that you might need to include in your budget; however, you will probably have some expenses other than those listed. Please include as many details as possible about specific costs you will incur and the sources of money you will use to pay for them.

A. Estimated costs	B. Financial resources available
Passport: \$110	Parent contribution: \$500
Airfare (round-trip): \$1200	Personal savings: \$1400
Housing (1 week): \$500	Student loan: \$0

Donation/Supplies: \$100	Sponsor/Donate: \$300
Food: \$200	
TOTAL costs: \$2110	TOTAL resources: \$2200

4. Positive & Negative Influences: In a bullet-point list, provide a description of the following items as they relate to your project:

A. Your personal strengths: I am a hard worker and I care about the people around me. Even though I may not understand them in words, I will still be very accepting and understanding in all I do.

B. Outside assets (things that might help you complete your project): Before we go over to the Dominican Republic, we are gathering many donations to take over for the natives. I will be receiving help from many organizations in my hometown that will be donating to the cause.

C. Your personal weaknesses: I will lack in the language skills necessary to speak with many of the natives. This will cause a barrier, but we will have translators there to help.

D. Outside threats (things that might hinder you from completing your project): If I wasn't able to complete the payment to leave for the trip then I wouldn't be able to attend. It is also possible for problems to arise because I am leaving for an LDS mission just a couple weeks after we return, and they don't really like to have people leaving the country right before because of any travel issues that could arise from it before going on the mission.

5. Documentation: In a paragraph of 50-100 words, explain how you plan to document your project as you present your work in UNIV 4925 and beyond. Will you keep a blog? A written journal? Will you store photos on Flickr? On your EDGE project website?

As I am in the Dominican Republic, I plan to keep a daily journal of all the events that occur. I will also make sure to take lots of pictures from each day and upload them to my laptop. Making sure I keep my photos organized with the specific days will be important as well.

D. Plan B: In a paragraph of approximately 50 words, provide a description of your Plan B project, or your back-up plan, in case something keeps you from completing the project you are proposing here. Note: if you are unable to complete the project that is approved, you must submit another proposal, which must be approved before you begin your project.

If I am not able to attend the trip to the Dominican Republic, then I would participate in the local clinics of my hometown. I would help in doing similar tasks as I would do over in the DR, but I would be helping those from my own community that I know. It would still give me a very different experience because I would be working on the other end of the medical practice, and helping those that come into the clinic.