

2018 Advanced Medical Academy-Program Summary

A Surgical Experience with Fresh Start: "Giving Hope, Transforming Lives"

Rady Children's Hospital's Advanced Medical Academy (AMA) programs provide advanced learning and growth opportunities for Medical Academy only, focusing on important and timely healthcare topics and related careers. These opportunities go beyond what students would have learned during either a weekend or summer program.

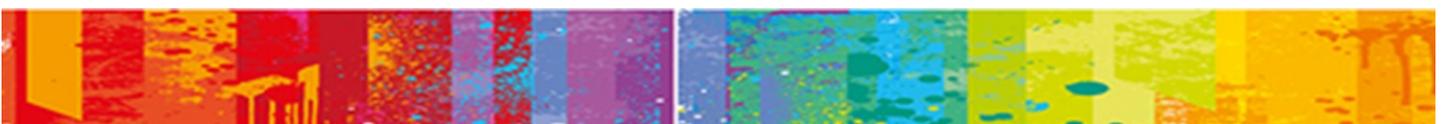


The first AMA program, A Surgical Experience with Fresh Start, took place March 9-11, 2018 with 12 enthusiastic students from throughout San Diego County. Students had the unique opportunity to be with a Fresh Start Surgical Gifts patient throughout their pre-op, surgery, post-op, and recovery processes. This included being in the operating room with a volunteer surgeon as they performed a variety of complex procedures for children and young adults from around the globe who suffer from physical deformities caused by birth defects, accidents, abuse or disease. AMA participant learning included:

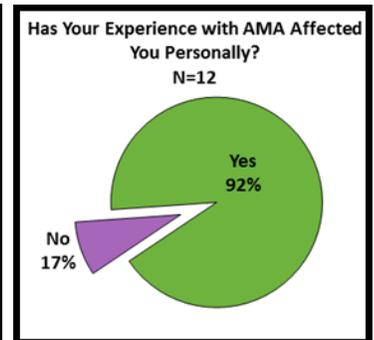
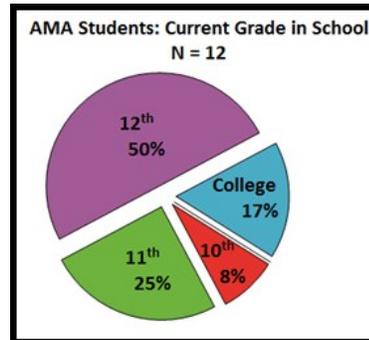
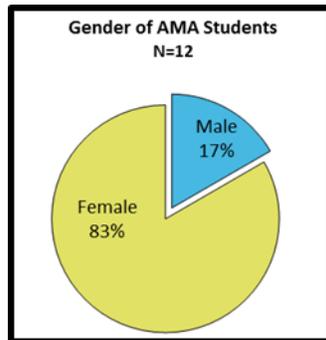
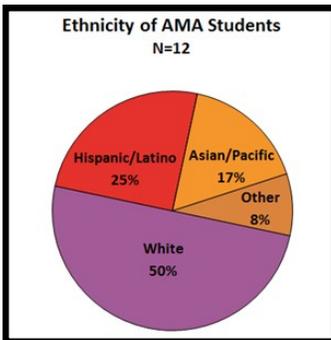
- The mission and vision of Fresh Start Surgical Gifts
- The need for charitable organizations in healthcare
- Global Health concepts and ways to volunteer in healthcare
- The importance of Multidisciplinary Care Teams
- Pre-Operative procedures i.e. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and sterile environments in the Operating Room
- Education & Career Paths
- The role of Volunteer Student Ambassadors for Fresh Start

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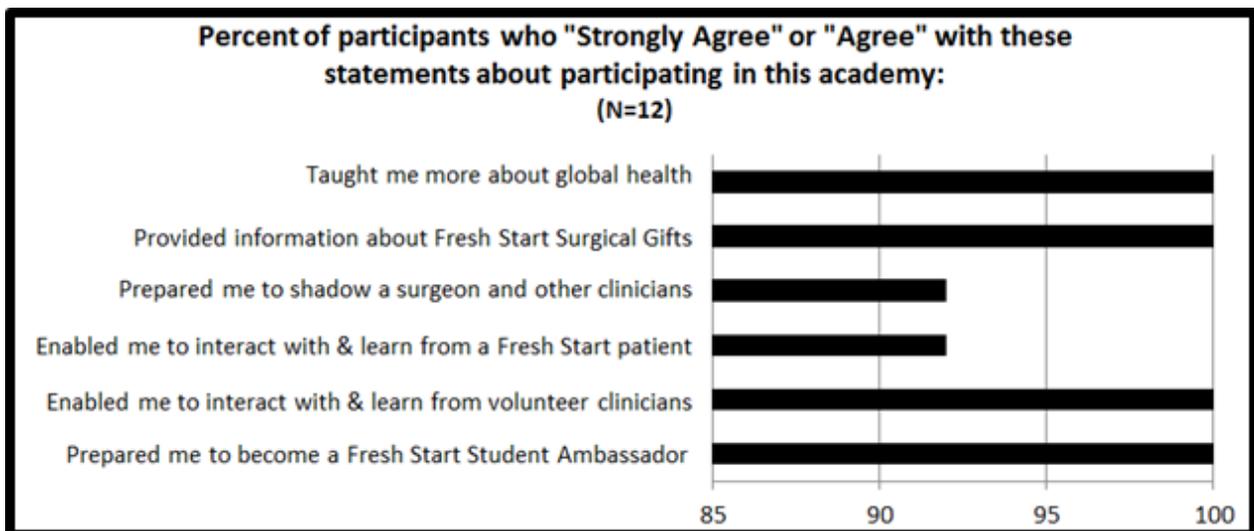
Student Profile & Feedback



100% of students reported that the program met or exceeded their expectations!

100% of students reported that they would recommend WMA to a friend interested in a healthcare career!

100% of students reported that attending this program reinforced and/or increased their interest in pursuing a career in healthcare!



"Seeing a live surgery taught me so much about the science of surgery: the need for organization and precision, the method, the need for collaboration. I also was so inspired by the doctor-patient relationship."

"It opened more doors for more job positions in the medical field, which inspires me to be thinking about pursuing a job as an anesthesiologist rather than just a trauma surgeon."

Would you like to make this experience available to students with a financial need?

Reach out to learn more about our Medical Academy Scholarship program by visiting:

<https://www.radyfoundation.org/support-sma-scholarships?>

