



Global average score was of 9.57 (on a scale from 1 to 10) when he graduated. He was awarded with Best Academic Average Grade of the School of Medicine twice during the years 2009 and 2010. He also obtained the best score in the National Intern Examination, which is required to enter internship and in the assignation of hospital positions during the year 2010.

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## Preclinical Courses

Gabriel met all requirements concerning preclinical courses. He excelled in all of them, specifically Calculus (10), General Chemistry (9.5), Organic Chemistry (10), Biochemistry (9.5), Physiology (9.5), Neuroanatomy (10), Embryology (10) and Histology (9.5) obtaining the best average grades of his class.

It is a pleasure to conduct this performance evaluation for Dr. Gabriel Torrealba Acosta, a student of the School of Medicine at the Universidad de Costa Rica, from February 2005 to December 2010.

## Clinical Courses and Elective Rotations

- Internal Medicine Rotation: Hospital México, San José – **Average Score:**

### Identifying Information

- o Hematology Division Clerkship
- Student name: Gabriel Torrealba Acosta
- Year in school: February 2005 to December 2010
- Name and location of medical school: Escuela de Medicina, Universidad de Costa Rica, San Pedro Montes de Oca, Costa Rica. **Average Score: 10**
- Surgery Rotation: Hospital San Juan de Dios, San José – **Average Score: 10**

### Noteworthy Characteristics

- o Surgical Emergency Department Clerkship
- o Peripheral Vascular Department Clerkship
- Gabriel was an enthusiastic student, thoroughly involved in academic activities as well as social affairs during his medical career. **Average Score: 9.5**
- Gabriel earned the Hematology Division Clerkship and goal-driven obtaining constant achievements
- Excellent student. He was awarded Best Academic Graduate of his class and Best Academic Average Grade of the School of Medicine twice during the years 2010 and 2011. **Average Score: 10**

## Summary

### Academic History

In summary, Dr. Gabriel Torrealba-Acosta has performed extremely well throughout his medical career. When compared to his peers, he was first in his class throughout his entire career. He is intelligent, hardworking, enthusiastic and goal-driven. He is a solid example of the academic excellence that our University represents. Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, Universidad de Costa Rica, February 2011

## Academic Progress

Gabriel had an outstanding performance throughout his medical career. His

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The University of Costa Rica School of Medicine program offers training in both basic and clinical sciences and follows a curriculum that is similar to the standard curriculum in the US medical schools. It has also a strong emphasis on Humanities and Ethics during the first two years of the program and hospital rounds later on, for the development of important clinical skills. The last year of the program consists of a supervised rotational internship where the students work directly with Medical teams in Pediatrics, Internal Medicine, Surgery, Ob/ Gyn and Community Medicine. We use a grading scale from 1 to 10, 10 being the highest score possible.

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