

John and Dorothy Swartz

The Swartz Scholarship – meeting an immediate need

John and Dorothy Swartz love to travel. When they established the Swartz Scholarship at UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, their inspiration was drawn from the many faces of public health they encountered in their trips around the world.

Their scholarship provides full tuition and fees to a Public Health Leadership Program executive doctoral student from a developing country who plans to work in the public health academic community.

"We at the School are very grateful for the Swartzes' generous gift," said Peggy Dean Glenn, associate dean for external affairs. "Their gift was expendable, which means it can be fully spent to provide immediate support to a student. A donor also may choose to fund an endowed scholarship, which pays out small amounts initially but grows over time and can be awarded year after year. We are so appreciative of both kinds of scholarships because they enable us to respond to students with a range of financial needs."

Mr. Swartz, who received assistance at Duke University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and George Washington University Law School, likes to say that his own success was due to the financial help he received along the way.

"We believe offering our scholarship to someone who will educate others in public health in the developing world will have a multiplier effect," Mr. Swartz says. "The scholarship recipient will educate many people, who in turn, will help solve the world's health problems."

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