ANABELLA IXMUCANÉ CARDONA MATUTE

DOCTOR OF MEDICINE CANDIDATE | DAAD SCHOLAR | GLOBAL HEALTH RESEARCHER & LEADER

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & PROFILE

High-achieving **Doctor of Medicine and Surgery Candidate** (UNAH) with proven leadership in medical student governance, global health research, and human rights advocacy. Selected as a **DAAD Scholar** for advanced clinical and academic exchanges in Germany (Robert Koch Institute, University of Cologne, Akkon University). Demonstrated track record as **President-Elect of the Medical Students Association**, **University Student Congresswoman**, and **Founder** of national inter-university health initiatives. Certified in Good Clinical Practice (ICH E6 R2) and Basic Life Support (BLS).

KEY EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE POSITIONS

President-Elect (2024–2026) **Medical Students Association (AEMC), UNAH**	**EXECUTIVE ELECTED LEADER** UNAH FCM Governance
University Student Congresswoman (Congresista Universitaria, 2025) **Student University Congress (CEU), Medicine Representative, UNAH**	**HIGHEST STUDENT GOVERNANCE** UNAH Congress
Intern Physician Coordinator (Coordinadora de Médicos Internos, 2026) **Hospital General San Francisco – Juticalpa, Olancho**	**CLINICAL COORDINATOR** Hospital Leadership
Founder & Network President (2019–2021) **Inter-University Operation Smile Club Network (UNAH, UNITEC, UNICAH, CEUTEC, Zamorano)**	**FOUNDER & PRESIDENT** Operation Smile
President (2023–2024) **Multidisciplinary Research and Service Initiative (IMIS)**	**PRESIDENT** Research & Service
National Officer for Human Rights & Peace (2024) **IFMSA-Honduras (International Federation of Medical Students' Associations)**	**NATIONAL OFFICER** IFMSA Honduras
General Secretary (2022–2024) **Elected Executive Board Member, Medical Students Association (AEMC, FCM-UNAH)**	**EXECUTIVE BOARD** FCM-UNAH
Research Team Coordinator (2024) **PAIDEA Research Group, Faculty of Medical Sciences, UNAH**	**RESEARCH COORDINATOR** PAIDEA FCM
National Student Representative for Honduras (2023) **Central American & Caribbean Student Volunteer Network (UNIVOCES), USAC–CSUCA**	**NATIONAL DELEGATE** Central America & Caribbean
Honduran Representative to Latin American Student Council (2020–2022) **Operation Smile Student & University Council for Latin America**	**LATAM REPRESENTATIVE** Operation Smile

EDUCATION & ACADEMIC TRAINING

Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH) — **Tegucigalpa, Honduras**
Doctor of Medicine and Surgery Candidate (MD) — **2019 – Present**

- **Academic Excellence Scholar (Estudiante de Excelencia Académica):** Consistently maintained high academic distinction throughout medical school.
- **University Student Congresswoman (2025):** Elected representative for Medicine in the University Student Congress (CEU).
- **Intern Physician Coordinator (2026):** Appointed coordinator at San Francisco General Hospital in Juticalpa, Olancho.
- **Curriculum Redesign Committee Member (2024):** Active student governance representative on the FCM-UNAH Medical Curriculum Redesign Committee.

Academia Los Pinares — *International High School Diploma & IB Diploma in Sciences & Humanities* — **Graduated**

Women's Rights Center (CDM) – Urban Feminist Political School — *Political & Rights Training Program – Graduated with Honors* — **2023**

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) — *Programa Agentes de Cambio (Agents of Change Fellowship) – Graduate* — **2025**

INTERNATIONAL CLINICAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

DAAD Study Visit Program Scholar — *German Academic Exchange Service*

Germany
2025

- **Robert Koch Institute (RKI):** Completed academic and clinical visits focused on global epidemiology, public health surveillance, and crisis management.
- **Universität zu Köln (Department for Clinical Infectiology):** Clinical training in infectious diseases, clinical trials, and inpatient/outpatient hospital rounds.
- **Akkon Hochschule für Humanwissenschaften (Berlin):** Presented research project *'Breaking the Paradigm: Rethinking Global Health Leadership and Crisis Response in Pandemics and Sanitary Emergencies'* before international clinicians, academics, and diplomatic authorities of Honduras in Germany.
- **Medizinische Universität Lausitz – Carl Thiem (Cottbus):** Completed specialized academic rounds across Nuclear Medicine, Clinical Laboratory, Diabetology, Hematology, and Oncology.
- **3rd Cologne Conference on Lung Cancer:** Active academic attendee in cutting-edge thoracic oncology discussions.

Cutting-Edge Oncology Treatments Research Exchange

Los Angeles, CA, USA
2024

Participated in specialized research exchange exploring advanced oncological therapies, targeted treatments, and clinical research methodologies.

Clinical Internship in Dermatology, Allergology & Venereology

Linz, Austria
2023

Completed clinical rotation at **Johannes Kepler Universität Linz**, gaining direct exposure to outpatient/inpatient dermatological diagnostics, allergology testing, and complex venereology cases.

CLINICAL, RESEARCH & COMMUNITY HEALTH EXPERIENCE

- **Pediatric Clinical Case Research Team (2022):** Research team member analyzing complex pediatric cases at Hospital Escuela Universitario (HEU).
- **Támara Women's Correctional Facility Health Brigade (2022):** Active medical volunteer delivering primary healthcare and health screening for incarcerated women in Támara.
- **National Youth Institute Health Information Brigade (2022):** Outreach team member providing preventive health education with the Instituto Nacional de la Juventud.
- **International Medical Brigades Translator (2020):** Bilingual medical interpreter for international surgical and general medical teams in Tegucigalpa.

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP, VOLUNTEERING & FELLOWSHIPS

- **Speaker & International Youth Delegate – Operation Smile Dubai Conferences (2020, 2021):** Speaker on youth leadership and service; Assistant to international team leaders in Dubai, UAE.
- **Staff Leader – Latin American Youth Leadership & Service Conferences (2021):** Staff and service team leader in Latin America and international staff member at Virginia Beach, USA conference.
- **Organizer – 1st National Youth Leadership Conference for Operation Smile Honduras (2020):** Spearheaded the inauguration of the national youth service leadership summit.
- **Selected Fellow – 'Generation L: Leaders Making a Difference' (2023):** Elect fellow selected by *CAF – Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean*.
- **Latin American Youth Without Borders Member (2023):** Active regional advocate for youth empowerment and social development.
- **Virtual International Medicine Week Participant (2020):** Global delegate in international medical student summits.

ARTS, HUMAN RIGHTS & CULTURAL ADVOCACY

- **Graduate of the National School of Fine Arts (Escuela Nacional de Bellas Artes, 2019):** Formal academic background in fine arts and visual media.
- **Editor & Artist – Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (2026):** Creative editor and artist for the fanzine *'Desde el cuerpo, todo.'*
- **Calendar Artist – Somos Muchas (2025):** Invited artist producing visual artwork for the 2025 institutional calendar.
- **Featured Photographer – UNAH Higher Education Inclusion Policy (2025):** Official photography featured in *'Hacia la construcción de la política de inclusión en la educación superior de la UNAH'*.
- **Exhibition Director & Artist – 'Memorias para seguir luchando' (2023):** Lead artist and creative director for joint exhibition with the Women's Rights Center (CDM).
- **European Union Selected Artist (2023):** Selected artist for the European Union exhibition *'Mujeres: día a día'* in Honduras.
- **UN Women's Campaign Guest Artist (2021):** Guest artist for UN Women campaign closing exhibition at the Museum of National Identity (MIN).
- **International Photography Award Winner (2021):** 1st place award in Women's Rights Photography Contest co-hosted by University of Seville, AACID, and Doctors of the World (Médicos del Mundo).

CERTIFICATIONS & CONTINUING EDUCATION

Clinical Research & Ethics:
• Good Clinical Practice (GCP) Standards ICH E6 (R2) – Global Health Network (2022)
• Introduction to Clinical Research – Global Health Network (2022)
• The Research Question in Health – Global Health Network (2022)
• Introduction to Informed Consent – Global Health Network (2022)
• Assessing Newborn Size by Anthropometry – Global Health Network (2025)
• Assessing Maternal Anthropometry & Weight Gain – Global Health Network (2025)

Emergency & Surgical Care:
• Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification – European Resuscitation Council (2023)
• Minor Surgery Suture Techniques – Honduciencias / Global Humana Spain (2021)
• Nursing Procedures & Clinical Techniques – Honduciencias (2021)

Public Health & PAHO / WHO Certifications:
• National Health Model (Modelo Nacional de Salud) – PAHO / WHO
• Family Health Team Dynamics (Equipo de Salud Familiar) – PAHO / WHO
• National Referral & Response System – PAHO / WHO
• Clinical Diagnosis & Management of Dengue – PAHO / WHO
• Virtual Course on Measles, Rubella & Congenital Rubella Syndrome – PAHO / WHO (2022)

Inclusive Healthcare:
• Honduran Sign Language for Health Professionals (LESHO para la Salud) – GHAPERS (2021)