

SIU Scholarship: Dr. Noaman Mohammed Almashraki

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I discovered the SIU on the Internet and obtained information about the SIU scholarships from the SIU website. I contacted several accredited SIU training centers around the world, and received acceptance from centers in Japan, Germany, and India, but I preferred India.

India is a very beautiful country and the people are very kind; you can visit various tourist attractions such as the Taj Mahal, and you will encounter a rich new culture.

I did my training at the Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute, Lucknow, which is recognized as the best training center in India. In the Urology Department, I received training in renal transplantation (about 3 cases per week), laparoscopic donor nephrectomy, TURP, PCNL, ESWL, Pediatric Urology, and Gynecologic Urology, eg, vesicovaginal fistula repair, cystocele, and stress incontinence surgery.

The surgical team was highly qualified and their operative skills were excellent. The team consisted of Drs. Anant Kumar, Rakesh Kapoor, Anish Servcstava, Ansari, and Deepak Dupey. The residents were also very cooperative and friendly in helping me.

I obtained a great deal of experience in endourology and in dealing with difficult cases, and this is reflected in



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my confidence after returning to my country. The SIU scholarship provided me with a good opportunity to obtain more experience and to recognize a new culture.

Abbreviated CV. Dr. Noaman Almashraki was born in Yemen, studied at the Faculty of Medicine of Aden University and obtained the degree MB, BS in 2001. He worked as resident in General Surgery and Urology for 6 years, and completed an SIU Scholarship from June 2006 to December 2006.

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