Dr Karen Woo International Award

A prize for final year UCL medical students in memory of Dr Karen Woo

The Dr Karen Woo International Award for contribution to healthcare work abroad was founded at UCL Medical School in 2022 by Professor Narinder Kapur in memory of Dr Karen Woo who graduated from the Medical School in 2003.

Karen was killed in Afghanistan in 2010 while working as a doctor for an international aid charity. Professor Kapur established this generous prize in Karen's name to encourage and reward UCL medical students in the final year of their course, who have contributed to healthcare work in low- and middle-income countries during their time at UCL Medical School.

This prize is a valued part of our suite of Citizenship Prizes for students and recognises the importance and impact of charitable work in communities around the globe which most need it. Three awards are made each year - a 1st prize and two 2nd prizes - to MBBS Year 6 students who have been nominated by their peers or Medical School staff.

If you would like to help us continue this award long into the future and support Karen's legacy, please consider donating.

Donate

You can learn more about Karen's life and legacy, including the Karen Woo Foundation and the work of the Enabled Children Initiative on their dedicated website.

Karen Woo Award

UCL KAREN WOO AFGHAN AWARD SCHEME

Narinder Kapur
University College London, n.kapur@ucl.ac.uk

AIM

The purpose of the UCL Karen Woo Afghan Award scheme is to support healthcare in Afghanistan and also to cherish and promote the memory of Dr Karen Woo, so that her example can be a role model for other healthcare professionals.