



# MEDICAL PROGRAM CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



## **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

Our Medical Spanish program in Cartagena, Colombia combines the regular Spanish immersion program with medically specific Spanish and cultural training. This is a great way to learn both general and specialized Spanish. Nurses, doctors, medical students and other health care providers all benefit from this immersion experience. Set in either a hospital or a health clinic, students at an intermediate or higher level of Spanish can observe professionals interacting with patients in Spanish and are exposed to the similarities and differences between these patient-physician relationships and those in their home country.



## **CITY AND COUNTRY INFO**

Ranked as one of the most beautiful colonial cities in the Caribbean, Cartagena was declared by UNESCO as a cultural and historical heritage of humanity. With an average temperature of 30 Celsius degrees this legendary city offers you 19 kilometers of beaches in the urban area, therefore it is the ideal destination to practice various water sports like diving, windsurfing and kite surfing in Paradise scenarios that will make of your staying a wonderful experience.

The NRCSA school in Cartagena is 4 blocks from the main entrance to the "Old City" in a colonial house with a Caribbean atmosphere that you will love. It is said that you do not know the Caribbean until you know Cartagena; be prepared to meet the friendliest people in the world, live a musical atmosphere, eat extraordinary and varied food, take the sun in astonishing beaches and dive near beautiful coral reefs, hear stories of pirates, slaves and sank Spanish ships, visit natural parks, live the Rumba (Party!) in the beach and enjoy the best weather.

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM**

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Cartagena, students will greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence, and combine travel, academics, and cultural awareness into one incredible life-changing experience.

## ***What's Included***

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 20 hours of Spanish lessons, 5 hours of medical vocabulary, 5 hours of cultural activities, plus 1 hour of latin dance class per week for 2 weeks
- **Lodging:** In a local homestay
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly\***
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage \*\***
- \*\* See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage • Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

\* Entrance fees, transport, etc. may be at additional cost.

## **FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

### **LANGUAGE AND MEDICAL PROGRAM**

This 2 week course combines our Intensive Spanish Course in the morning with Spanish classes for medical vocabulary in the afternoon. You can study Spanish while learning specific vocabulary in the health area. Students will improve their conversation, listening, reading comprehension and writing skills. They will also acquire valuable cultural experiences to appreciate and understand the city and its people. Students will also have learn the vocabulary used in the health care settings (implements, basic procedures, human organs, processes, etc.)

Classes are conducted entirely in Spanish and students are given plenty of opportunity to practice the spanish medical terminology they are likely to need outside of the classroom. While the atmosphere in the classroom is generally relaxed and informal, students should be prepared to work hard and participate fully.

### **LODGING OPTIONS**

#### **HOMESTAY**

You will live and share your daily life with a Spanish speaking family. Breakfast and dinner are included and there is washing machine available or your clothes will be washed once a week. Families are carefully chosen, and during your stay you will be another member of the family. We visit the families regularly and we permanently assess their human qualities and the location of their house.

Almost all participants in the program stay with local families, which we arrange for you upon registration and with whom lodging is included in the cost of the program. Host families are highly recommended in order to practice what you learn in class with your family at home, as well as to integrate yourself into the local culture. Accommodation includes different meal plans, depending on what you prefer. All host families are middle-class by local standards and live in homes and areas that are attractive and safe. Some are single parent families, others are traditional families, while others are multigenerational. Students can choose to have their own room with or without a private bathroom, or to share a room with another student. Students are free to come and go as they please, but need to respect the routine of the family they are staying with.

#### **APARTMENT**

If you are staying with us for 2 weeks or longer, you can choose to rent a fully furnished apartment close to the school. Meals are not provided, but a weekly cleaning service is included.

#### **HOTELS**

Cartagena has a wide range of hotels to suit all budgets. Some are just 5 minutes walk from the school. Contact us for further details.

## **PRICE**

Cost of 2 weeks of language classes with cultural activities and lodging ranges from:

**\$1,731 → \$2,342\*\***

\*\*Prices range according to housing and board options.

## **ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES**

Program is suited for:

- Pre-Med Students
- Medical Students
- Nursing Students
- Medical Professionals

Tourist Visas are issued free of charge upon arrival for 60-90 days.

## **ACTIVITIES**

Social, cultural and sports activities may include:

- Visits to museums
- Natural parks
- Beaches
- Concerts
- Sightseeing tours
- Hiking
- Restaurants

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the MEDICAL PROGRAM in Cartagena, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.