



MEDICAL PROGRAM CUZCO, PERU

Programs in April, June, August and December



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Medical Spanish program in Cuzco, Peru 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

Cuzco sits perched amidst the clouds and the lush Andean greenery 11,000 feet above sea level, an everlasting legacy to Peru's rich history. Many international tourists are drawn to Cuzco for its proximity to the famous Machu Picchu ruins and the Inca Trail. Due to the high elevation, it is cool at night and sunny but cool during the day year-round. Day temperatures range from high 60s to 70s Fahrenheit. April to September is the coldest time, with high 60s during the day and 30s at night. Rainy season is from October to April.

Any journey through this beautiful city should begin in the Plaza de Armas, the heart of Cuzco, where you'll find the venerable Cathedral. Its construction was begun in 1556, but design changes and the earthquake of 1650 delayed its completion. It was finally in 1654. The imposing temple was designed in the Renaissance style and laid out in the form of a Latin cross. Some of its most important chapels include the Señor de los Temblores, the Virgen de lo Remedios and the Capilla de la Inmaculada Concepción, also known as La Linda.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Cuzco, 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:** 40 hours of Spanish lessons over 2 weeks with a group.
- **Observation:** 2 hours per day of visits and lectures at sites alternating with special topics lectures.
- **Lodging:** In a local homestay or residence
- **Meals:** Breakfast and dinner in 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 program is specially designed for doctors, nurses, social workers and other health professionals. It focuses on medical terminology and information in order to develop your skills for communicating with Spanish-speaking clients.

Special attention is given to cultural differences between the western world and Latin America, including information on how subjects such as health, illness and family issues are addressed in the Latin community.

Specialization classes will focus on medical vocabulary, conversation skills, role-playing and videos that you will find necessary working in the medical field. Part of the classes will focus on traditional Andean medicine. There will also be an opportunity to experience real life situations during the field trips to hospitals, smaller-scale, free medical posts, dentists and rehabilitation centers for mentally and physically disabled children.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

One of the most important parts of your learning and cultural experience is the homestay portion. Homestay families are middle class, by local standards, although, students should take note that living standards in Peru are generally lower than in Europe or North America. Family homes are located in neighborhoods usually no more than a 10 minute bus ride to school. Participants choosing to stay with a family should recognize that a certain degree of flexibility will be required to adjust to the Peruvian customs and way of life. There is no heat provided in homestays.

STUDENT HOUSE

Within the school building, the NRCSA school offers an accommodation option for those who like to be close to the school and who enjoy contact with other students from different parts of the world. There are double and single rooms, shared toilets, a terrace and a common kitchen/living room. You will not lose time or money moving back and forwards. You can study and live at the same place, only three minutes walking from the Plaza de Armas, where it all happens! We have a cook in residence who prepares a delicious range of Andean and foreign cuisine. Breakfast and a delicious home cooked three course lunch are included in this option, a great deal!

APART-HOTELS

There are inexpensive accommodations that give the school special deals. These are not apartments, but rather apart-hotels.

PRICE

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

\$920 → \$1,078**

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

Program limited to:

- High level beginner Spanish speakers
- Pre-Med Students
- Medical Students
- Pre-Clinical Nursing Students
- Nursing Students
- Medical Professionals
- All health-related professionals.
- Social Workers
- Undergraduate students majoring in Social Work and related fields

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

ACTIVITIES

Activities offered may include:

- Walking tour to some interesting sites in town
- Welcome dinner for all new students
- Peruvian cooking class salsa class
- Music class latin american movies
- Farewell gathering daily lectures on
- Peruvian culture and society
- Excursions to local attractions

Some activities may be at an additional cost.

HOW TO REGISTER

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

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

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