

## **MEDICAL PROGRAM GUADALAJARA, MEXICO** PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Medical Spanish program in Guadalajara, Mexico 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

Gudalajara was founded in 1542. Known as the "City of the Roses," it is in fact the second most important city in is the cradle of Mexican folklore and the traditional culture that is most representative of the nation: mariachi music, charrería and tequila. The city enjoys a temperate climate that averages 27 degrees centigrade or 80 degrees Fahrenheit the year round. It has a culture of rural tradition, now complemented by modern industrial development and commercial expansion

Guadalajara's many contributions to the Mexican lifestyle include the broad-rimmed sombrero, charreadas (rodeos) and the Mexican Hat Dance. These days, Guadalajara is also known for its outstanding food. From street-side taco and torta ahogada stands to neighborhood cafés to fine dining rooms in restored colonial mansions – you're never far from a great meal in joyful Guadalajara.

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Guadalajara, 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: 25 group Spanish lessons Access to E-mail plus 10 tutor lessons of medical Spanish per week
- Observation: 2 sessions per week, minimum 11/2 hours, Certificate of Completion
- maximum 4 hours (Intermediate level)
- · Lodging: In a local Homestay
- Meals: Breakfast and Dinner in homestay
- Pre-Departure Information
- Planning Guide
- Placement Testing
- 1-2 Organized Activities Weekly\*
- \* Entrance fees, transport, etc. may be at additional cost.

- Access to Multimedia Learning Center
- 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

## **FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

#### LANGUAGE AND MEDICAL PROGRAM

Students in this program focus on the Spanish language needed to be successful in health care settings. The language training program combines 25 lessons of general Spanish in a small group with 10 lessons of one-on-one tutorial focusing on medical terminology per week for a 2 week minimum. Intermediate and higher level Spanish students may also 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.

The team of instructors are both professional and experienced. The instructors are all native speakers of Spanish, and each holds a university degree and experience in teaching Spanish as a second language. The teachers share in the belief that classes must be enjoyable to the students.

#### **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

The local NRCSA center has been serving the local and international communities by promoting cultural understanding, academic development and environmental consciousness through education. We have found that students are often passionate about helping others.

The institutions we do volunteer work with are:

- · An all-boys orphanage
- · Children with HIV/Aids
- · School for blind girls
- School for deaf girls
- Senior citizens homes

#### **LODGING OPTIONS**

#### **HOMESTAY**

The university has about 250 family homes available offering accommodation to students who wish to develop their language study through total immersion. These offer single or shared rooms, three meals a day and access to virtually all home facilities. Many homes are located near the university, generally a short bus ride away.

## **UNIVERSITY GUEST HOUSE**

Students who prefer greater independence may opt for a room in the Guest House. This residence has 24 rooms, each with its own private bathroom. Rooms can be occupied by one student or shared by two. The building is conveniently located in a respectable neighborhood, just 15 minutes from the center by bus. It is a short distance away from principal commercial and tourist spots in the city. Its services include housemaid cleaning each day, TV room, continental breakfast, water and electricity costs, and access to a kitchen for self-prepared meals.

#### PRICE

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

\$1,814 → \$2,042 \*\*

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

# ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

Program limited to:

- · Pre-Med Students
- Medical Students
- Pre-Clinical Nursing Students
- · Nursing Students
- Medical Professionals
- · All health-related professionals.

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

## **ACTIVITIES**

Activities offered may include;

- Conferences
- On site visits
- Singing
- Guitar
- Latin dance
- Mexican cuisine
- Friendship program

Some activities may be at an additional cost. Other activities available in Guadalajara at an additional cost include:

- The Regional Museum
- Guadalajara Zoo
- Museum of Archaeology
- Galeria Antigua de Guadalajara

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the MEDICAL PROGRAM in Guadalajara, 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.