



MEDICAL PROGRAM MACEIO, BRAZIL PROGRAM IN JULY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Medical Portuguese program in Maceio, Brazil combines the regular Portuguese immersion program with medically specific Portuguese and cultural training. This is a great way to learn both general and specialized Portuguese. 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 Portuguese can observe professionals interacting with patients in Portuguese and are exposed to the similarities and differences between these patient-physician relationships and those in their home country.



CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

The capital of the state of Alagoas, in northeastern Brazil, Maceio has a population of approximately 325,000 people. Situated below low bluffs between the Atlantic Ocean and the Norte (or Mundaú) Lagoon, Maceio has a great outdoor market of local crafts ranging from dresses and t-shirts to handmade jewelry and hammocks. The city also offers a number of bars and night clubs, both on the beach and in the city, with live or recorded Brazilian music as well as a number of famous street parties such as Maceio Fest (an out-of-season carnival in November) and, of course, the traditional Carnival in February.

The climate is tropical, with an average temperature of 25° Celsius and 2 seasons: summer and rainy summer. Maceio also has a wide range of cultural places of interest to visit, such as Penedo and Marechal Deodoro (historic colonial cities), with their unique architecture and museums. For outdoor fun, Pontal do Peba (shrimp fishing area), Murici (Atlantic forest) and Barra de Santo Antonio (Manatee reserve) are favorite destinations.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Maceio, 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:** During weeks 1 & 2 there will be 20 hours of general group Portuguese and medical Portuguese lessons.
- **Observation:** Weeks 3 & 4: 12+ hours
- **Lodging:** In a local Homestay
- **Meals:** 2 meals a day 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 ****
- **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

Combining Portuguese language classes and medical vocabulary, with an emphasis on Tropical Diseases, with a 2-week hospital internship, this course provides participants with key information for understanding the reality of Brazilian medicine. The program includes seminars, language training, supervised research and field excursions that have been developed jointly by the local NRCSA center and the local health ministry.

The time spent in the hospitals will be purely for observation; students will not participate in any medical procedures.

Classes are held at school by a physician infectologist, specializing in Tropical Diseases. As part of the program's materials, students receive a personalized coat and a Portuguese-English dictionary of medical vocabulary. The clinic internship is held at Hospital Universitário and students take part as student-observers. Foreign students have opportunity to meet and interact with local university students who attend classes at the clinic as part of their educational grade.

Course Features:

- General medical vocabulary
- Doctor-Patient relationship
- Tropical diseases (Dengue, Yellow Fever, Malaria)
- Human Body (General, Head and Mouth, Internal Organs)
- Personalized Lab Coat
- 2 Week Hospital Internship during weeks 3 & 4

During the internship, students see diseases being treated in the real life practice of medicine in Latin America, and the reality of Brazilian medical care, by accompanying doctors to their clinics and hospitals.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

Students live in homestays with a Brazilian family to experience the day-to-day lifestyle and practice Portuguese with your host family. Families are carefully selected, ensuring a clean and comfortable home, a single, private bedroom and convenient location to the school. Hot running water is available in most homestays.

Two meals daily (café da manha and jantar) are included in the homestay. Rice and beans are a dietary staple, as is fruit and meat. For lunch, there are many "self-service" restaurants with excellent food charged by the kilo. Double rooms may only be booked by two students traveling together.

PRICE

Cost of 4 weeks of language classes with cultural activities and lodging from:

\$2,596**

**Price subject to change

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

Because of the various prerequisites for clinical shadowing, this program is by application only. Program limited to:

- Pre-Med Students
- Medical Students

All American citizens are required to have a tourist Visa prior to date of travel.

ACTIVITIES

Activities may include:

- Visits to theaters
- Concerts
- Restaurants
- Beaches
- National festivals
- Sporting events
- Dance clubs

HOW TO REGISTER

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

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/online/regform.html>

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