

MEDICAL SPANISH PROGRAM

SANTO DOMINGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Our Medical Spanish program in Santo Domingo 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

The capital of the Dominican Republic is a fascinating, typical Caribbean metropolis. In Santo Domingo you can explore museums, discover the colonial history of the country and dip into a bustling night-life. With a population of more than 2.5 million inhabitants it is vibrant and lively. The perfect blend of modern sophistication and historical charm sets the scene for a great location to meet people and really learn and use your Spanish!

Santo Domingo is the capital city of the Dominican Republic, and it prides itself in being the first European city in the New World. Founded by Christopher Columbus's brother Bartolome Colombus in 1496, it is the oldest continuously inhabited European settlement in the Americas and was the first seat of the Spanish colonial empire in the New World.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Santo Domingo, 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 general group • Airport Transfer Spanish lessons plus 10 tutor lessons of medical • Access to E-mail Spanish for 1st week.

- Clinical training During 2nd week.
- 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
- 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

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 first week will be spent doing 20 lessons of general Spanish in a small group with 10 lessons of one-onone tutorial focusing on medical terminology.

For the medical portion of the program, we partner with a non-profit organization located in Santo Domingo that works with 6 different major hospitals and several smaller clinics (public and private) to train foreign medical and nursing students.

Students are selected according to their level of medical knowledge. The organization then plans their training based on their age, education, experience and interests. The doctor in charge has been a Dean of Clinical Sciences for more than 20 years and has multifold experience in training medical students.

Students will need to provide a transcript as well as a letter from an academic advisor stating the level of experience in health care settings. This documentation will be instrumental in arranging shadowing activities as well as clinical setting.

CULTURAL PROGRAM

We believe that a language program must be complemented with a wide range of social and cultural activities not only to allow students to use and practice the Spanish language but also to maximize student exposure to Santo Domingo and our culture.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

The host families in Santo Domingo are experienced and enthusiastic participants in the student's life. Our families are one of the most important elements in successfully learning the language.

Carefully selected families who belong exclusively to the Dominican middle-class, living in good to very good social circumstances in residential areas.

ALTERNATIVE LODGING

In the case that you prefer total independence, there are a number of other lodging options, so feel free to ask! These may include student apartments and hotels.

<u>PRICE</u>

Cost of 1 week of language classes, followed by 1 week of Clinical Placement with cultural activities and lodging from:

\$ 1,675 → **\$1,832****

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

Additional weeks of Language Classes or Clinical Placement can be arranged.

<u>ELIGIBILITY AND</u> <u>GUIDELINES</u>

Program limited to:

- Pre-Med Students
- Medical Students
- Pre-Clinical Nursing Students
- Nursing Students
- Medical Professionals
- All health-related professionals
- Intermediate language proficiency

A valid passport must be presented upon arrival. Tourist Visas are issued upon arrival for 60-90 days.

<u>ACTIVITIES</u>

Activities offered may include;

- Outings with other Dominican students
- Merengue, Bachata and Salsa classes
- Cultural events including, concerts, museum visits
- Visit Zona Colonial and other cultural sights nearby
- Beach excursions

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Santo Domingo, 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.