



# MEDICAL PROGRAM SAO PAULO, BRAZIL PROGRAMS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



## **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

Our Medical Portuguese program in Sao Paulo, 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 biggest city in South America and one of the three largest in the world, São Paulo is considered one of Latin America's most important financial centers. It is the industrial center of Brazil, responsible for over 30% of Brazil's annual GNP, and headquarters to the majority of Brazilian and multinational corporations. Strong industrial development and cultural diversity have provided São Paulo with the largest, most cultured and educated middle class in Brazil.

São Paulo can be an intimidating place, but if you like big cities, it offers the excitement and nightlife of one of the world's most dynamic cities. Attractions include the baroque Teatro Municipal, Niemeyer's Edifício Copan, the Museu de Arte de São Paulo (MASP) and the 16th-century Patíó do Colégio. The school is located in the upscale neighborhood of Jardins, blocks away from Paulista Avenue, Sao Paulo's financial center. The tree-lined streets around the school are full of restaurants, neighborhood bars and nightclubs, as well as parks, with something for everyone and easy to explore.

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM**

After participating in this Medical Language & Cultural Immersion Program in Sao Paulo, 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 \*\***
- \*\* 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**

Salud Brazil is a 4-week program developed by the local NRCSA Center in partnership with the Federal University of Alagoas and the Hospital Universitário in Maceió and the Hospital das Clínicas, Hospital Brigadeiro, and Hospital Sirio Libanes in São Paulo.

Long known worldwide as the capital of plastic surgery, there is no better place to study the specialty than in Brazil. Students will learn with top-rated surgeons at the Hospital das Clinicas, Latin America's largest hospital complex as well as in well-respected private clinics. Learn with one of the best names in the field at some of the best clinics and hospitals in the world! This course is geared toward practicing healthcare professionals as well as students of medicine and nursing with a strong interest in the field of plastic surgery.

Combining 2 weeks of Portuguese language program and medical vocabulary, with an emphasis on plastic surgery, 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 and lectures are held by a plastic surgeon. The hospital internship is held at the Hospital das Clinicas, Hospital Sirio Libanes and at the plastic Surgery Clinic, where students take part as student observers. Students will receive a personalized lab coat and a Portuguese-English dictionary of medical vocabulary. Foreign students have the opportunity to meet and interact with local medical students attending classes at the hospital as part of their degree program, as well as with experienced surgeons and physicians, leading to a dynamic exchange of knowledge and experiences.

During weeks 1 & 2 there are 20 hours of lessons in the mornings. Weeks 3 & 4 there are eight 90 minute lectures with the surgeon covering an array of topics. This is followed by 5 practical observation sessions throughout the 2 weeks ranging from 1-3 hours each in the surgical center, rounds, and clinic.

## **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 is about:

**\$6,566\*\***

\*\*Price subject to change

## **ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES**

A basic to intermediate level of Portuguese is required for students to apply for the program. 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 Sao Paulo, 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.