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NRCSA Medical Program in Quito, Ecuador

Quito, the Franciscan capital of Ecuador, Luz de América, ancient capital of the northern realm of the Incan empire, Patrimonio de la Humanidad, lies at 2,800 meters above sea level in a high valley at the base of Mount Pichincha about 15 miles south of the equator. Its full and formal name is "San Francisco de Quito", reflecting both its Spanish and Incan origins. Franciscan monks accompanied the Spanish conquistadors and founded one of America's first Catholic churches (begun in 1584), in what is now called the Plaza de San Francisco, in the heart of colonial Quito. Furthermore, the word Franciscan as an adjective in the Spanish language denotes peacefulness, a quality for which Quito was known for many years. The name "Quito" is derived from the name of the indigenous group, the Quitus, which dominated that region of the Andes before their conquest by the Incas. In the early 1980s, Quito was designated by UNESCO of the United Nations as a World Heritage Site in recognition of the preservation of its colonial center, essentially expressed in the architecture of the old city.



Slightly over a million people live in present-day Quito. As is typical of Latin American cities, the population density is high, relative to U.S. standards. But, somehow, Quito retains a small city atmosphere -probably because you can still walk to many places you need to go. Ownership of a car is not a must. Distances are short and the bus system is quite extensive. It has a daily average temperature of about 65° F, with daytime highs around 75° F and early morning lows around 45° F. Absolute highs reach 85° F and lows about 40° F on rare occasions.

Group Medical Spanish & Volunteer



PROGRAM

This specially designed four week program includes 20 hours per week of Group Spanish classes that focus on language skills used in a medical setting. The Volunteer component includes observational learning and structured interaction in local hospitals and other health care facilities. This allows students a chance to practice the Spanish they have learned while viewing practices utilized by doctors and nurses everyday. All of this is woven into a cultural activities & excursions program that lets students experience the sights & sounds of the Quito area.

Weekly components:

- 1st week - Orientation, Spanish classes & cultural activities.
- 2nd week - Morning volunteer service in hospital, afternoon Spanish classes.
- 3rd week - Morning volunteer service in hospital, afternoon Spanish classes.
- 4th week - Morning free time, afternoon Spanish classes.

[Click to see the schedule for the Medical Spanish & Volunteer Program](#)



LODGING

The students host family is a wonderful support network. When the details of daily living are out of the way it frees the mind to learn Spanish, which is an accessible language to learn. They provide breakfast and dinner, and do laundry.

Some families have more than one bedroom for couples and parents with children. All students have a private bath. Most families live within walking distance.

Tea, coffee and pure water are provided at the school all day. Daily money exchange, mail service, safety box, storage room, travel and tour information are also provided.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

Students are met at the Quito airport and transferred to their lodging at no additional cost. Lodging information is sent 7-14 days prior to departure. Information of where to go and how to get there will be sent to students prior to departure. Arrival details need to be communicated to NRCSA in advance.

ACTIVITIES

Cultural activities and excursions are woven into the program. This includes city tour of Quito, visit to Cotopaxi National Park, hiking in Cloud Forest, visit to Indian Market, Folkloric Ballet concert, visit & hike around volcano, among other examples. Every weekend there is an excursion planned to one of the many cultural sights in Ecuador, from beautiful national parks to Andean volcanos to historic haciendas.



Cost Includes:

- 20 hrs/week Group Medical Spanish
- Homestay lodging in single room.
- Two meals daily.
- Arrival transfer from airport to lodging address.
- Medical insurance
- Laundry once per week.
- Entry and exit placement exams.
- Certificate of achievement.
- Mail and Email services.

QUITO MEDICAL PROGRAM

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2006 Dates: Start June 18 to July 15, 2006.

2006 Fees:

4 weeks:	\$ 1,920
Additional weeks:	\$ 265

Highlights

Spanish Medical Program! Regular Group 20 hours per week, 2-4 students/class, plus volunteer and visit in a Local Hospital.

More Details....

General

- No maximum age. Minimum age is 18.
- Location: Downtown
- Size: varies considerably by season. The 'average' is under 25 foreign students.
- Medical: school refers students if needed (medical costs additional). See below for information regarding insurance.
- Arrival airport transfers are included if flights advised 30 days prior arrival.
- Vacations: no class make-up on National, Regional & local holidays.

Classes

- Foreign language classes are taught entirely in the foreign language (immersion method).
- All levels are welcome (beginner to advanced) unless otherwise specified above.
- Levels: placement tests are used. If there is no full group at your level, smaller group or tutor may be given with fewer hours per week.
- Tutor means one-on-one class (private teacher). Shared tutor means two-on-one.
- Students/class is maximum people per class ... which may be exceeded by 1-2 persons due to level placement.
- School is popular with business and medical professionals seeking accelerated and special vocabulary classes.
- Texts and materials are over \$15 per level.
- Class-hour is 55 minutes (Most universities use a 50 minute hour).

Lodging & Meals

- Accommodation address sent 7-14 days prior to start of session.
- Meals: See 'cost includes' above for which meals included. (2 meals means breakfast and main meal.
- In homestays, meal times and content will vary.
- Lodging ends day after last day of class. Begins Sunday prior to start of class.

Cultural Program & Activities

- Excursions average 1-2 weekly.
- Weekly cultural lectures or activities (included).
- Some entrance fees/bus fares may be additional.

Children

- Lodging/daycare available at additional cost.
- School favored by families traveling with children.

Insurance --- for study dates prepaid through NRCSA

- 24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline (call collect from anywhere in the world)
- \$25,000 Emergency Medical Evacuation
- \$10,000 Accident or Sickness (\$100 deductible per claim)
- \$5,000 Emergency Reunion
- See policy for definitions and exclusions
- Increased insurance coverages available on request and at additional cost. Please inquire with NRCSA at least 3 weeks prior to departure.

Facilities

The NRCSA Center in Midtown Quito is situated in a lovely residential area. One of our goals is to provide excellence in education and we emphasise grammar and vocabulary. To ensure each student's success we use high quality teaching materials and methodology.

Professors have university degrees and have experience in teaching Spanish to foreigners. Each professor brings with them a expertise including: Economics, Business Administration, History, Marketing, and Literature.

A Certificate which is recognized by the Ecuadorian Ministry of Education is awarded for all students who complete their program. In Germany Latin American Academy is recognized as Bildungsurlaub with lessons of 25 hours or more per week by the Freie Und Hansestadt Hamburg, Hessen and Berlin.

Housed in a beautiful new mansion, we are surrounded by gardens and situated in a quiet residential neighborhood. There is complementary e-mail available to students (no access to the internet). However, there are several reasonably priced internet cafes close to the school and all over the city. Mail service, money exchange, safety box, luggage storage, and use of sports facilities are also included.

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MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

Since 1968, the National Registration Center for Study Abroad (NRCSA) has been working with schools around the world to strengthen programs specifically for health professionals.

ALL CENTERS OFFER:

- **QUALIFIED EDUCATORS...** experienced working with medical and health professionals.
- **LOCAL HOUSING COORDINATORS...** familiar with local homestays, B&B's, apartments, & hotels.
- **LOCAL ACTIVITY COORDINATORS...** for varied culture and social activities & tours.
- **ON-SITE PROGRAM DIRECTOR...** if you need extra support services.
- **ADVISING...** orientations, medical referral and meetings with each student to address individual concerns.
- **MEDICAL INSURANCE...** includes accident, medical, med-evac coverage, & 24/7 Bilingual Emergency Worldwide Hotline.
- **TRANSPORTATION...** special fares, arrival transfer assistance.
- **TELECOM SUPPORT...** web, e-mail, fax access assistance - most on site.

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NRCSA has coordinated program for health professionals from the following organizations.

A survey of NRCSA registration forms shows staff from the following health and health-related organizations enrolling in NRCSA study abroad programs. Some were paid by their employers. Many received tuition reimbursement. All sought to improve foreign language and intercultural skills.

Advantage Healthcare
Anaheim Memorial Hospital
Arrowhead OBGYN
Associated Press
Aurora Healthcare
Best Nest
Bilingual Speech Source
Bilingual Therapies Inc.
Biosystems Analysis, Inc.
Boston Medical Center
Boulder Community Hospital
Boulder County Mental Health
Brackenridge Hospital
Bristol Meyer Squibb
California Children's Services
Carilion Health Systems
Cascade Medical Clinic
Charter Medical
Children's Hospital of Cincinnati
Children's Hospital of San Diego
Children's Hospital of Milwaukee
Cobb County Board of Health
Coshaine Medical
Du Pont Dow
Family Medical
Family Service Agency
Franciscan Health Center
Georgia State Univ Medical School
Harvard Medical School

Hines VA Hospital
Hospital Sept-Iles
Illinois Masonic Medical Center
John Hopkins University
John Umstead Hospital
JPS Health Network
Kaiser Hospital
Kaiser Permanente
Kareena Pue Hospital
Klehm Nursery
Lifelink Corp
Madison Community Health Center
Mariposa Company
Massachusetts General Hospital
Milwaukee County Hospital
Monsanto Chemical
Muticare
Nativity House
Neurology Group
North Suffolk Mental Health Center
Northwestern Univ Medical School
NY Dept Human Services
O'Connor Hospital
Ohio State University
Orange County Social Services
Over Lake Hospital
Park Nicollet Medical Center
Permanente Medical Group
Planned Parenthood

Private Practice
Professional Rehabilitation Associates
Psychiatric Institute of Washington
Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
Sacred Heart Medical Center
San Francisco General Hospital
San Luis Ambulance
Seattle Public Health
Somerville Mental Health Center
St. Vincent Hospital
Stanford Medical College
Univ of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Univ of California - Los Angeles Medical Center
Univ of California - Los Angeles School of Medicine
Univ of California - San Diego Medical School
Univ of Kansas Medical Center
Univ of Minnesota Medical Center
Univ of North Carolina Medical School
Univ of Oklahoma Medical School
Univ of Texas Health Science
VA Medical Center
Via Rehabilitation Services
Univ of Washington Health Science
Univ of Wisconsin - Madison
US Dept. of Health
Wesley Woods
Women's Healthcare Associates
Yale Medical School
Yale University

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1. Complete & send to NRCSA, P.O. Box 1393, Milwaukee, WI 53201, USA • Tel. (414) 278-0631 • Fax (414) 271-8884 • Web: www.nrcca.com
2. Enclose a non-refundable deposit/registration fee of \$140 per person, per program, payable to NRCSA (\$40 registration fee & \$100 program deposit applied towards the program costs).
3. Register early. Add \$40 per person late enrollment fee if paying in full within 40 days of departure. Within 20 days, payments by certified check.
4. Credit Cards may be used for deposits (see "H" below). NRCSA street address for overnight deliveries is 207 East Buffalo Street, Suite 610, Milwaukee, WI 53202 USA. You are welcome to photocopy this form. Please send separate form for each school if taking multiple programs.

A. Name(s) _____ Sex _____ Birthdate _____ Citizenship _____
Please print
 _____ Employer _____ Occupation _____
If student, school attending and year

Street: _____ Tel. Home: _____
Street address (not P.O. Box) where someone can sign for documents sent to you.

City/State/Zip: _____ Tel. Work: _____

_____ Fax: _____

_____ E-mail: _____

In Emergency, notify: _____
(Name, Address, Phone)

B. BACKGROUND: _____
Describe your background in the course you're taking abroad. Check your ability level:

- Beginner Post Beginner
 Intermediate Advanced

C. LODGING: _____
Schools will try (cannot guarantee) to meet them. Special Diet (may be available) at additional cost.

Check Preferences.

- Single Share Twin Other: _____
 Yes Smoking No Smoking Either
 Yes Pets No Pets Either
 Yes Children No Children Either

D. GOALS: _____

E. INSURANCE: Includes prepaid study dates. To extend coverage up to 30 days before/after study dates, add \$5/day or \$19/week and advise dates.

- PREFER:** Homestay Involvement Freedom to Come/Go
ARE YOU? Quiet Outgoing Frequent Traveler
OBJECTIVES: Enrichment Academic Credit Job Related
HOBBIES: Reading Music Cooking Jogging Sports

F. PROGRAM INFORMATION	School/Center
Program Name (use title from Dates & Fees)	City/Country
Date: Start Program	Date: Start Lodging (most start day before)
No. of hours day/week	No. of weeks attending
Disabilities/Allergies/Health Problems	2nd Choice Program
How did you learn about NRCSA?	Social Security Number
Options (see program for choices)	
Your Signature (if you are under age 18, both parents must also sign)	

INSURANCE INCLUDED for PRE-PAID STUDY DATES

ACCIDENT / MEDICAL INSURANCE UP TO \$10,000
EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION UP TO \$25,000
EMERGENCY REUNION UP TO \$5,000
REPATRIATION UP TO \$7,500
LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000
**24 HOUR EMERGENCY WORLDWIDE-
 MULTI-LINGUAL TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE**

H. CREDIT CARDS:

For program deposit only (**not final payment**) check:
 VISA Mastercard American Express Amount Charged \$ _____

_____ / _____
Card Number (13 or more numbers) Exp Date

SIGNATURE (as on card) PRINT name (as on card)

CHANGE FEES of at least \$35 apply for each change you make. Some "changes" may result in cancellation fees.

CANCELLATIONS are effective the day received in writing by NRCSA in Milwaukee. All payments less \$140 per program fully refundable up to 60 days prior to departure. For cancellations within 60 days of departure, \$250 per person is not refundable; within 40 days of departure, less 50% of program cost or \$300 per person (whichever is greater); within 14 days of departure, 100% of program cost is non refundable. Airline cancellation penalties, if any, are in addition to those outlined above. Cancellation penalties are per person, per program. Medical, baggage (above that included) and cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. Attach a note if you have a medical condition or Rx which the school/center should know about.

CONDITIONS: Each institution listed herein is independent of the National Registration Center for Study Abroad (hereinafter referred to as NRCSA, controls, and will periodically make changes in the program. Classes may fill, be changed, or dropped by the sponsoring academic institutions. NRCSA is a division of Mibar Ltd. and is not responsible for these changes or other actions beyond its control such as strikes, postal delays or loss, mechanical breakdowns, weather, government actions, delay or acts/omissions of suppliers. NRCSA may make changes or substitutions or cancel any program. In the event of entire program cancellation by NRCSA, liability is limited to refunding all monies paid to NRCSA for said program. Passengers electing not to use portions of a program shall not be entitled to a refund. No agent or representative of NRCSA shall have the right to alter the provisions listed herein. Costs based on tariffs and exchange rates effective the date of printing of this material, and are subject to change. Additional costs resulting from such change will be paid by the participant. Registrations are valid when accepted by NRCSA in Milwaukee. The passage contract used by the airline, when issued, is the sole agreement between it and you. Photographs of or statements by participants may be used by NRCSA. NRCSA, group leaders or foreign coordinators, at their discretion, may get medical assistance for participants, or place them in a hospital, or fly them back to the U.S. for medical treatment. All costs related to medical treatment or evacuation will be paid by the participant. As visitors you are expected to adhere to foreign rules and customs. If the foreign staff feels you are not adhering to these rules and customs, your participation in the program shall terminate immediately without refund whatsoever. A "homestay" is defined as living with a local person(s) in the foreign country and may not be multi generational, multinational, etc. It is the responsibility of the participant to have required proof of citizenship and visa(s) if applicable - check with the consulate of the country(s) you will be visiting.

INFORMATION USE: Information provided to NRCSA will be shared with participating organizations to facilitate your registration.

NOTE: Classes canceled in honor of local holidays are not made up. Foreign Language schools use placement tests. If there is no group at your level, smaller group or tutor classes may be substituted with fewer hours per week. Classes are conducted entirely in the target language. See **Fast Facts Guide** for more information.