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NRCSA Medical Programs in Bolivia



Sucre is the beautiful colonial judicial capital located in the Andean highlands of Bolivia. Known as the "White City of the Americas" due to its numerous colonial buildings, all of which are painted in white and topped with shiny red tile roofs. Set in a valley surrounded by low mountains, Sucre is small (pop. 150,000); making it very easy to explore on foot. A university town, known as the center of learning and progressive thought within Bolivia, Sucre has many museums, a lively central plaza, shops and restaurants. The city has a youthful, energetic feel despite its old-fashioned look created by the numerous mansions and colonial churches. Because of its historical significance and its wealth of colonial architecture, UNESCO declared the Historic City of Sucre a "World Heritage Site" On December 13, 1991.

Group Spanish Lessons & Medical Vocabulary Tutorial

PROGRAM - 20 hrs/week Group & 10 hrs/week Medical Vocabulary Tutorial

The Group Spanish instruction is offered in levels from elementary to advanced. Students are given an evaluation exam upon arrival and are placed in the appropriate group. A team of teachers will guide you in your studies. They will teach you in the four language skills; listening, speaking, reading and writing. With the assistance of audio cassettes, video and other visual aids, you will be instructed in grammar, correct pronunciation and the use of everyday idiomatic language. Classes are small with a maximum of four students. The small group size assures you individual participation and attention from the teacher. Specific homework assignments are given daily and every student is evaluated and tested on a weekly basis. Each lesson has a duration of 55 minutes.



The Medical Vocabulary Tutorial classes will focus on the words and phrases you use in your daily interaction with patients or will need in your area of work. These are private lessons that progress at your level and abilities. It provides a chance to work on your personal strengths and weaknesses. You are encouraged to submit a list of vocabulary in advance for use in the class.



LODGING

Homestays are one of the most important components of your language and cultural experience in Bolivia. Homestay accommodation includes two meals (breakfast and lunch), private room, bathroom, and laundry service once a week. Very few homes can provide private bath for the student. Host families belong to Bolivia's middle class, although students should take note that living standards in Bolivia are much lower than Europe or North America. Family homes are located in neighborhoods usually not more than a 20 to 30 minute walk to school. Participants choosing to stay with a family should recognize that a certain degree of flexibility will be required to adjust to the Bolivian customs and way of life.

Homestays for Families - A few homestays can accommodate families. Child care in the homestay may be possible upon special request and at additional cost. There is a discount for children under 5 (same room as parents, unless host family happens to have extra space).

Hotel lodging is also possible to arrange. This is on request and at additional cost.

ARRIVAL TRANSFER

The host family will also pick students up at the Sucre airport upon arrival. The lodging information is not sent prior to departure. Information on where to go and how to get there will be sent to students prior to departure.

ACTIVITIES

As part of the program there are 2 to 3 organized activities each week. There is a daily schedule of activities that is made available to students and includes information on cultural events in Sucre and surrounding areas, such as, locations of theaters, museums, festivals as well as ticket prices.

The organized activities include: visits to local areas of interest, dance classes, cooking classes, parties & fiestas, spanish language videos & movies, seminars & discussion groups. Please Note - You may need to pay "out-of-pocket" expenses (bus fare, entrance fees, etc.)



Weekend excursions are available, but are not prepackaged for students. The local administration can assist students with their arrangements on-site.

Cost includes:

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

SPANISH & MEDICAL VOCABULARY TUTORIAL

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2006 Dates: Start any Monday, 2006.

2006 Fees:	1 weeks	\$ 540
	2 weeks	\$ 987
	Additional weeks	\$ 446

Highlights

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More Details...

General

- No maximum age. Minimum age is 18 (often waived if accompanied by an adult).
- 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.
- Vacations: no class make-up on National, Regional, or local holidays or the year-end (Mid December to Early January).
- Arrival airport transfers are included if flights advised 30 days prior arrival.

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.
- Texts and materials are over \$15 per level.
- Class-hour is 45 to 60 minutes (Most universities use a 50 minute hour).

Lodging & Meals

- Accommodation address given upon arrival.
- Lodging ends day after last day of class. Begins the day prior to start of class.
- Meals: See 'cost includes' above for which meals included. (2 meals means breakfast and lunch)
- In homestays, meal times and content will vary.

Cultural Program & Activities

- Excursions average 1-2 weekly.
- Weekly cultural lectures or activities (included).

Children

- School favored by families traveling with children.
- Lodging, daycare and tutor classes available.

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

We invite you to study Spanish and be immersed in the unique culture of Bolivia. The NRCSA Center is Located in the heart of Sucre, a quiet, historic, and colonial area that is just a few blocks away from the city center. To ensure complete Spanish language immersion, English is not permitted at any time in the classroom.

Classes are held in a smart 2 story building with seven classrooms, a kitchen, a salon (for videos, etc.), a nice roomy balcony, an interior patio, and a small area to get sun tan. While there is no access to the Internet at the school, there are several Internet cafes in the immediate area. Capacity is 40 students/day and about 50% of class participants are from Europe, with the remaining 50% from North America. The age groups and occupations of their students vary widely, including university-aged students, professionals and independent travelers of all ages, as well as retirees.

All teachers have a University Degree in Spanish Philology and have been carefully selected because of their qualifications and experience in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. Some of them are Doctors or have Master Degrees in teaching Spanish and literature, history or Latin American culture. They refresh their teaching skills often, receiving special courses every year from the school's International Academic Director at the headquarters in Quito, Ecuador.

Teachers are chosen for their ability to listen, their enthusiasm, kindness and patience, but most of all for their love of teaching Spanish to foreign students. All of them know how to motivate, develop and support students' curiosity and interest in the Spanish language, Bolivian culture and social life. They also know that the learning process continues outside the classroom. The school is registered with and recognized by the Bolivian Ministry of Education.

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.

TRAINING CENTERS IN:

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Denmark • Dominican Republic • Ecuador • Egypt • Finland • France • Germany • Greece • Holland
Honduras • Hungary • Italy • Japan • Korea • Mexico • Monaco • Norway • Paraguay • Peru • Poland
Portugal • Puerto Rico • Russia • Spain • Sweden • Switzerland • Thailand • Uruguay • Venezuela

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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PREREGISTRATION FORM – NRCSA PROGRAMS

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.