Are you interested in health sciences? Would you like to learn Spanish to use in a healthcare setting? Clinical observations in urban and rural settings turn the Yucatán into a classroom as you study health care, politics, culture, community and medical Spanish. An excursion to Cuba explores health care systems in the region.

**PROGRAM SNAPSHOT**

Dates: June 16 – July 21, 2018

Credits: 6

2017* Tuition: $3,475

2017* Housing: $900

Total 2017* program fee: $4,375

*2018 fees will be coming soon!

**PROGRAM BENEFITS**

- No previous Spanish language study required
- Gain valuable experience through clinical observations where you will rotate among various specialties in locations such as hospitals, doctor’s offices and indigenous healers.
- Live and learn in Mérida, a cozy, colonial city located about 20 minutes from the coast
- Study the rich culture of the Yucatán and learn Spanish in one of Latin America’s safest areas
- Cultural events and excursions, including trips to archaeological sites in Yucatán and a multi-day excursion examining the healthcare system
- Improve your Spanish medical vocabulary and help even more people as a health professional

**HOUSING**

IFSA-Butler arranges housing with a carefully selected host family, allowing you to explore everyday life in Mexico. The program fee includes three meals per day.

**CLASSES**

**Introduction to Medical Spanish** (3 U.S. credits)

While this course will study the vocabulary used in the medical field, its emphasis is on applied Spanish language not only from a linguistic competence but also to learn how to interpret meanings of medical terminology according to the local cultural context. This is a theoretical course taught in Spanish and English and previous study of Spanish is not required.

**Contemporary Issues in Public Health in the Yucatán** (3 U.S. credits)

Increasing diversity in the socioeconomic, ethnic and racial composition of our communities presents health care providers with new challenges when responding effectively to patient healthcare. This course will expand on these topics, providing basic knowledge about healthcare in the Yucatán. Students will examine from a cross-cultural perspective the public and private health care systems of Mexico. This course is taught in English, and it includes a series of visits to local rural communities and medical facilities where students will conduct clinical observations.

**EXPLORE OUR SCHOLARSHIPS**

Afford your experience with scholarships and grants:

- IFSA-Butler Summer Scholarship: $500 scholarship
- First Generation Scholar: up to $1,500 grant

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