



Purpose of the Certificate

The Certificate in Healthcare Spanish is a specialized language program for students in Nursing, Health Sciences, Kinesiology, Psychology, and Social Work. The purpose of the Certificate Program is to prepare students in the healthcare fields to serve the growing Latino population in California.

Courses in this Program

- Prepare students to communicate effectively with Spanish-speaking clients
- Help students gain knowledge of cross-dialectal and cross-cultural variation within Latin American and U.S. Spanish
- Introduce students to specialized medical terminology in Spanish.

Employment Opportunities

Students completing the Certificate Program will be better prepared to serve the Latino community as they will be trained in cultural sensitivity and effective communication which will allow them to be competitive on the job market.

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Certificate Program in Healthcare Spanish

Costa Rica Summer Program

Span 5557 or equivalent

- 2-week option
- 4-week option

Minimum requirement:

Span 2251 or consent from coordinator

Types of Internships (among others)

- Day clinics and primary healthcare
- Elderly living facilities
- Feria de salud (community service)
- Homeopathic/Alternative Medicine Sites
- Fitness/Wellness
- Nutrition/Public Health
- Psychiatric ward

Costa Rica Cultural Excursions

Visits to Arenal Volcano, Baldi Hot Springs and zipline, local indigenous communities, National Park Manuel Antonio, and more.

Study abroad also in Spain!



Certificate Coursework

Proficiency at the Spanish 1112 level required to begin the program.

Certificate Requirements (18 units)

SPAN 2251	Intermediate Healthcare Spanish I	4
SPAN 2252	Intermediate Healthcare Spanish II	4
SPAN 3051	Culture, Health, and Food in Latin America	3
SPAN 4401	Spanish for the Professions: Medical	3
SPAN 4402	Spanish for the Professions: Activity	1

Study Abroad or Service Learning (3 units)

Three units chosen from:

SPAN 5557	Study Abroad/International Experience	3
SPAN 4443	Service-Learning	
SW 4011, SW 4012	or any 5000-level internship related to healthcare	

Total Units 18

**Most courses can be taken online!
Only 2 more units for a Spanish minor!**

The certificate requires 20 units of coursework.

Students in all majors are eligible to participate in this program.

Students must have proficiency at the Spanish 1112 level or consent of the program coordinator.

For more information about the Certificate, please visit:
<https://www.csusb.edu/healthcare-spanish-certificate>



For class offerings and advising, please contact Prof. Dagostino at (909) 537-7386 or cjany@csusb.edu

Employers are seeking candidates with experience serving the Latino community. Employment opportunities locally and globally are available within government, education, social services, non-profit and private sectors.