Spanish for Health Care Professionals

Both sections are Beginners level

Course Number FLGED – UE 1489

Course Description: This course is designed to prepare health care professionals to communicate with Spanish-dominant patients via intensive practice in three of the fundamental components of language acquisition: reading, speaking and listening in Spanish.

The focal point of this course is to enable health care providers to develop high function communications skills related to the medical field. The class will focus on helping students describe, listen, understand, react and recommend. In addition to learning the appropriate medical vocabulary, we will practice oral communication strategies. Particular emphasis will be placed on active participation by all students with the aim of consistently practicing vocabulary and functions studied. Cultural readings and presentations on Latin America will serve to further contextualize the course.

The course will approach the learning and teaching of *Medical Spanish* using topics of culture, attitudes and behaviour of Latino populations. Effective communication in a health care setting requires not only appropriate vocabulary and grammar but also awareness of and sensitivity to the many distinct Latino cultures in the U.S. and the many new Immigrant Latino populations therefore topics such as diversity among Latinos and topics of immigration will be highlighted and surveyed.

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During this semester students will learn the following:
Basic Vocabulary (pertinent terminology) and communicative structures in Spanish.
Strategic language for communicating with clients and patients.
Overview of the histories and cultures of local Latino communities.
Issues of Latino Immigrant patients
Strategies for learning and improving Spanish in the workplace.

Additional Information and a copy of the syllabus can be accessed: my7777@gmail.com, my2119@nyu.edu