

# CUBAN MEDICAL SERVICES

# UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC SERVICES ANNOUNCEMENT

## REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

292 years of experience in Health Sciences teaching at the service of the world



With an experience of more than two centuries in medical education, dating from January 1726, the Cuban Medical Sciences Universities extend their warmest welcome to those interested in starting their academic formation in our island of the Caribbean Sea, whose greatest treasure are its Inhabitants and natural beauties, within a framework of peacefulness and citizen safety unparalleled in the world.

We have 13 Universities of Medical Sciences all over the national territory which offer the possibility of satisfying academic training in this field at the request of governments, institutions, groups or individuals. These academic institutions are authorized by the legal mechanisms established by the Cuban State for such purposes, under the direction of a Rector and with a categorized cloister, in certified scenarios, which gives the right to issue certification documents of any level.

In Cuba there is a National Accreditation System, whereby, in each university campus, the scenarios for training in the different careers and postgraduate studies offered are certified, in order to guarantee the fulfillment of the activities described in the Programs of study.

In each career the study program is unique for the whole country and its implementation is performed equally for all undergraduate students.

Academic training includes careers in Medicine, Stomatology, Bachelor of Nursing, Clinical Bioassay, Health Information Systems, Speech pathology and audiology, Hygiene and Epidemiology, Health Rehabilitation, Medical Imaging and Radio physics, Optometry and Optics, as well as Nutrition.

If Spanish is not its native language, the student can take the language course, which lasts about 40 weeks for the undergraduate, or demonstrate his mastery of the same through an oral and written proficiency exam, which must be requested before starting registration.

Other modalities in announcement are specialized visits and internships that allow the student to obtain a complete vision of the functioning of our National Health System, or to develop specific subjects of his / her Career, delivering the plan that it must cover, attending to the modalities of student mobility In today's world. Other specific applications are also evaluated which respond to particular training needs, including the implementation of pre-professional practice activities

Welcome!



### **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants to complete their undergraduate studies to enroll in Cuban universities must present the following documents duly legalized by Cuban diplomatic representations abroad.

a) a high school, baccalaureate or equivalent level title and certification of grades, for validation in view to further studies;

b) a health certificate which includes, in addition to a declaration that the student does not suffer from any communicable disease and specifically from the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), any physical or mental handicap that would render him unable to exercise the profession to which he aspires and, in the case of females, a certificate stating that she is not pregnant;

(c) ten (10) 1x1 inch size photos;

(d) a document certifying that he does not have a criminal record;

e) birth certificate.

Other documents required;

f) proof of admission to the career issued by the agency that approved it.

g) receipt of payment corresponding to the amount of the established fees.

h) Cuban Health Insurance purchased from the health insurance provider ASISTUR, which can be purchased prior to or within one week of arrival in Cuba. If the student has one, he/she may bring it and ASISTUR will determine if it is valid and/or compatible with the ones offered by the company.

#### SPANISH PREPARATORY COURSE

The preparatory course is mandatory for non-Spanish speakers, with the exception of those who demonstrate their Spanish language proficiency by a proficiency exam (oral and written), by personal request, prior to the beginning of their studies. It will be a prerequisite for the continuation of university studies that students pass the preparatory studies.

#### Duration: 20-40 weeks

Sufficiency exam: any time prior to the beginning of the course

### Price of the Spanish proficiency exam: 100.00 USD

Price for the Spanish preparatory course: 2.400,00 USD.

#### MEDICAL CAREER

Start of the course date: September Duration: 6 years Degree: Doctor of Medicine

Price: 55.000,00 USD (includes registration)

PRICE	PRICE	PRICE	PRICE	PRICE	PRICE
(USD)	(USD)	(USD)	(USD)	(USD)	(USD)
1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year	6th Year
8.500,00	8.500,00	8.000,00	8.000,00	11.000,00	11.000,00

There is the possibility to request only one year of study, in particular the last year, whose price is higher in a 20% than the total price declared in this document for each academic year.

There is the facility to make payments in three installments.

Deadlines for making payments by years of the Medical Career

Undergrad	At the beginning of the course	End of the first semester	Before the exam
1st & 2nd Year	3.500,00	2.500,00	2.500,00
3rd & 4th Year	3.000,00	3.000,00	2.000,00
5th & 6th Year	4.000,00	4.000,00	3.000,00

STOMATOLOGY CAREER Start of the course date: September Duration: 5 years Degree: Doctor in Stomatology Price: 50.000,00 USD (includes registration)

PRICE	PRICE	PRICE	PRICE	PRICE
(USD)	(USD)	(USD)	(USD)	(USD)
1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	5th Year

8.800,00	8.800,00	7.600,00	12.400,00	12.400,00

You have the possibility to request only one year of study, in particular the last year, whose price is 20% higher than the total price established in this document for this academic year.

There is the facility to make payments in three installments.

#### Deadlines to make payments for years of the Stomatology Career

Undergrad	At the beginning of the course	End of the first semester	Before the exam
1st & 2nd Year	3.000,00	3.000,00	2.800,00
3rd & 4th Year	2.600,00	2.600,00	2.400,00
5 <sup>th</sup> Year	4.500,00	4.500,00	3.400,00

#### DEGREE IN NURSING

Start of the course date: September Duration: 5 years Graduate Degree: Bachelor Degree in Nursing Price: 33.000,00 USD (includes registration)

PRICE (USD)	PRICE (USD)	PRICE (USD)	PRICE (USD)	PRICE (USD)
1er year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year	5th year
6.000,00	6.000,00	7.000,00	7.000,00	7.000,00

You have the possibility to request only one year of study, in particular the last year, whose price is a 20% higher than the total price established in this document for this academic year.

There is the facility to make payments in three installments

#### Deadlines to make payments for years of the Bachelor Nursing Career

Undergrad	At the beginning of the course	End of the first semester	Before the exam
1st & 2nd Year	2.000,00	2.000,00	2.000,00
3rd & 4th Year	2.500,00	2.500,00	2.000,00
5 <sup>th</sup> Year	2.500,00	2.500,00	2.000,00

## OTHER BACHELORS DEGREE

## Start of the course date: September

## Duration: 5 years

**Graduate's Degree**: Bachelor's Degree in "name of bachelor's degree" **Price**: From 32,000.00 USD to 33,000.00 USD (includes registration)

DEGREES	PRICE (USD) 1er year	PRICE (USD) 2nd year	PRICE (USD) 3rd year	PRICE (USD) 4th year	PRICE (USD) 5th year	Total Cost (USD
Imaging and Medical Radio physics	6.000,00	6.000,00	7.000,00	7.000,00	7.000,00	33,000.00
Clinical Bioassays	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.500,00	32,500.00
Health Information System	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.500,00	32,500.00
Optometry and Optics	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.500,00	32,500.00
Health Rehabilitation	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.000,00	32,000.00
Nutrition	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.000,00	32,000.00
Hygienic and Epidemiology	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.000,00	32,000.00
Speech pathology and audiology	6.000,00	6.000,00	6.500,00	6.500,00	7.000,00	32,000.00

## VALIDATION OF STUDIES ABROAD TO CONTINUE STUDIES IN CUBA

**Documents to be submitted** (duly legalized at the Cuban embassy in the country of origin or residence):

- Study program of each year of completed studies.
- Certification of grades of each year.

**Validation price**: The price of the validation of studies completed and succeed is **375.00 USD**.

The request will be delivered in writing addressed to the Rector of the University of Medical Sciences where he will study, with a copy to the Academic Services of the Comercializadora de Servicios Cubanos, S.A.

If the answer is negative, the price paid for the recognition is not refundable.

#### **RELEVANT INFORMATION:**

#### **Deadline to receive applications**

Applications will be received throughout the year, adapting them according to the date closest to the start of the course. They are carried out personally through the email <u>docencia@smcsalud.cu</u> without the need for intermediaries, with the exception of intergovernmental agreements.

The only entity that commercializes academic health services in Cuba is Comercializadora de Servicios Médicos Cubanos, S.A. (CSMC, S.A.)

In a period of no more than 30 days the interested party will receive via email the response to their request, as well as the contacts with the study center where it was located. Grants are decisions of Cuban Medical Services, who reserves the right of admission.

Applications will be registered in a database and are valid only for the academic period for which it was requested. If you do not enter this period, you must return to the formal application corresponding to the following academic year

#### Beginning Date of the Course

The date established for the beginning of the course is the first week of September so you must be presented between 10 or 15 days before that date to carry out the corresponding procedures for International Health Control, which has a mandatory nature, immigration procedures, preparation of the identity card and medical insurance.

Internships will begin according to the date they are offered.

#### Grant of academic visa

- Once you have been accepted, you must send the following information to the electronic address (<u>docencia@smcsalud.cu</u>) no less than 60 days before the proposed date of travel:

- Name and surnames
- Sex
- Date and place of birth
- Nationality
- Private address
- Passport number
- Country that issued it
- Date of issue of the passport
- Passport expiration date
- Purpose of your visit:
- Date of entry into the country:
- Departure Date:
- E-mail address:

-The visa is requested at the Cuban embassy in your country of residence and you must present the acceptance letter from the university where you obtained your place.

- If an academic visa has not been granted before traveling, the student may do so with a tourist visa and make the change of immigration status upon arrival whose amount is 40.00 USD on stamps and obtain the identification document issued by the Directorate of Immigration and Aliens of the Republic of Cuba, whose amount is 10.00 USD.

#### Health Insurance

- Contact the company ASISTUR, through the website: <u>http://www.asistur.cu</u>/. Information on the coverage provided by the health insurance can be obtained through the following electronic address: <u>http://www.asistur.cu/seg\_gm.pdf.</u>

The price of these insurance is dependent on age, sex, diseases, etc.
There are health insurance purchased in the country of origin or in other countries that are homologated with the insurance of ASISTUR, the only entity authorized to determine its approval or not.

#### CORREDOR ASISTUR, S.A.

ADDRESS: Paseo del Prado No. 208 between Trocadero and Colón TELEPHONE: (53-7) 866 4499/866 8920/866 8339/867 1314/867 1315 Fax: (53-7) 866 8087

#### Health and disease control

- Upon arrival in Cuba, the student should immediately go to the University of Medical Sciences that accepted it for the completion of the International Sanitary Control for 10 days, which is mandatory.

- During this period the student will be able to choose accommodation and food in the facilities of the university in case of availability, which will pay in cash according to the prices established for this concept in the facilities of the National Health System. If any invalidating illness described in this document is diagnosed during or after the International Sanitary Control, you will be suspended from teaching activities and you must return to your country immediately. If the disease is curable you will be able to return as long as you present a legalized medical certificate attesting your cure. In any other case its readmission will not be possible.

- Having a disease that invalidates you to study in Cuba implies the immediate return to the country of origin applying the regulations of discounts established for it.

Payments are made by bank transfers from abroad or online payments through the pasarela payment. Online payments will be made by credit, debit or prepaid cards: VISA, MasterCard, Maestro, AMERICAN EXPRESS, ServiRed and VISAL Electron.

- Regardless of whether prices are set in USD, the transfers can not be made in US dollars or from banks or branches with US capital. For this reason the transfer must be made in Euros / Sterling Pounds / Canadian Dollars.

- The transfer must specify the name of the student to whom the payment is intended. It must be ensured that the Cuban party receives the entire amount agreed, without discounts. The expenses associated with bank transfers made in favor of Comercializadora de Servicios Médicos Cubanos, S.A.(CSMC) for the payment of the academic activity agreed in accordance with the terms of this Annex, will be assumed in full by each student, so that CSMC receives the corresponding amount, free of surcharges and other discounts that may proceed

- To make online payments by payment gateway students should contact the Cuban Medical Services Marketing Company by email <u>docencia@smcsalud.cu</u> or in person on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8.30 AM to 5.00 PM

- A discount of up to three percent of the value of the academic year is authorized if full payment is made before the start of the academic year.

Information on the Bank account for individual payments from abroad: (It is mandatory to reflect exactly the data expressed below and the name and surname of the student to whom the payment is intended)

Account Holder:	CSMC S.A.
No. of the account:	030000004292620
Name of the Bank:	Banco Financiero Internacional, S.A. La Habana
Swift Code:	BFICCUHH
Address of the bank:	5ta. Avenida No. 9009, esquina calle 92, Playa,
	Miramar, Cuba

*Currency to be transferred*: Euros / Pounds Sterling / Canadian Dollars

Transfers must be made through a correspondent bank.

Main correspondent Banks by countries of the Banco Financiero Internacional de Cuba, to be used according to your bank.

<u>Curr</u>	Correspondent <u>Bank</u>	<u>SWIFT/BIC</u>	Account No
EUR	KBC Bank N.V. BRUSELAS	KREDBEBB	AccountNumber: 488-5919623-38
EUR	IntesaSanpaolo Milano, Italia	BCIT IT MM	AccountNumber: 100100019758
EUR	Banca Popolare di Milano SCaRL, Milan	BPMI IT MM	AccountNumber: 39915409
EUR	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA, Paris	BBVA FR PP	AccountNumber: FR7641189000011038055480124
EUR	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA, Madrid	BBVA ES MM	AccountNumber: ES5001820061790080105632
EUR	Banco de Sabadell SA, Sabadell	BSAB ES BB	AccountNumber: 90101155424
EUR	BANKINTER S.A., Madrid	BKBK ES MM	AccountNumber: ES9201280005430170000087
EUR	CaixaBank SA, Barcelona	CAIX ES BB	AccountNumber: ES63210056670910033699
EUR	<b>Banco Santander SA,</b> Madrid	ESPC ES MM	AccountNumber: ES7300301029490032985270

The intermediary or correspondent bank in correspondence with the bank from which the transfer is made, which can be made by any payer, **always** communicating in the reference the University of Medical Sciences (UCM) from which you will receive the services, your name and activity in particular.

Example 1: Medical Sciences University of Habana. Juan Martínez González. 1st Year Medicine Career

Transfers cannot be made in US dollars or from American banks located or not in the United States, banks located in the United States or banks or branches with US capital.

#### Payment & Returns

- Every Year before the beginning of the selected academic services, the payment must be made in full or by installments through a bank transfer

from the country of origin or the country where the transfer is made to the account whose data are provided in this document.

- In the prices of the careers is included:

- Registration, right to attend all lectures and optional activities, both theoretical and practical.
- Right to all career exams, including final state examination.
- Certification of grades for academic periods legalized by the University.
- Delivery of graduate title, certification of grades, thematic plan and certificate of good practice legalized by the University at the end of the career.
- Use of library services during studies
- Free access to the online platform INFOMED and to the digital databases on this site, teacher consultations, obtaining Cuban books in e-book format
- Access to sports and cultural areas of the study center and participation in its different manifestations.
- Scientific advisory services for research
- Possibility of publishing articles in Cuban magazines.

- The legalization of documents in the MINREX for use abroad is not included in tuition payments and will be done on a personal basis by the student and defraying the entire cost

- Once its registration is officially approved, a contract will be signed between the student and the University. Failure of the student to present for the agreed academic services 10% will be deducted of the agreed amount. - If the student withdraws for any reason **during the first week** of the time stated in the program of study for professional improvement: courses, training, internships, etc. or **on the first month** of those corresponding to the academic training of careers, it will be deducted 10% of the total payment made for academic services

- If the student withdraws (academic, personal problems, or illness, within 50% of the time stated in the study program of the academic activity you are entitled to reimbursement of 50% of the payment made. After 50% and one (1) day of the time declared in the program he shall not be entitled to any remuneration whatsoever. This does not relieve the student of the payment of any other economic responsibility acquired. If the withdrawal is the result of infringement of the discipline or breach of the Regulations for Foreign students in Cuban higher education institutions, he will not get any reimbursement.

- If it is necessary to make a refund, it will only be made to the beneficiary in Cuba in USD, or in its absence and in very exceptional cases duly justified to the person who made the transfer by means of document accrediting before a public notary and duly legalized in the Cuban Embassy or Consulate in the country of origin.

- Payments for academic services, as well as for logistical assurance, accommodation and meals **do not include**: teaching materials, national or international transportation, telephone or Internet communications, books, teaching aids, medical instruments, printing materials, immigration procedures in Cuba Immigration status and identity document), translations

and legalizations before the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or embassies, paperwork and transfer of corpses in case of death. It is the responsibility of each student its transportation to and from the airport at the beginning and end of the studies and during the vacation period between one academic year and another in case he decides to travel.

#### Tuition

- The programs of the careers cannot suffer any type of variation in content or time.

- The programs of the careers are not sent before their arrival and formalization of their registration.

#### ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

#### Health System Facilities

**Price**: 6.85 USD per person per day (includes breakfast, lunch, dinner and accommodation)

**Room capacity**: Rooms shared by several students, the number depending on the dimensions of the room according to school hygiene rules, two-level bunk beds and natural ventilation. Group bathrooms are at a rate of up to 10 students per room.

The meals, pre established menu that are offered in the student residences of the universities are based on the traditional Cuban cuisine, following the Cuban norms of feeding in the current conditions. The student has the option to consume it or not, but will not receive adjustment or other offers.

The provision of vegetarian or other foods that respond to religious beliefs and / or cultural factors is not available.

All students accommodated in student residences belonging to the National Health System are required to comply with the disciplinary regulations established in each institution

#### Other options of accommodation

- Hotels
- Houses of private tenants duly legalized.



### APPLICATION FORM FOR PREGRADUATE ACADEMIC SERVICES

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

2. 3. 4. 5.	Full name:	-					
7.	Address:	-					
	Country:						
	Phone number: Email:						
8.	Date of birth: Age:						
9.	Passport Number:						
10.	Name of the insurance company and insurance number ( have it)	(in case you					
11.	.Current occupation:						
12.	12. Date of graduation(High School, Baccalaureate or Equivalent:						
13.	Institution which certified your studies:						

14. Personal Disease Background of Disability (Check list of disabling conditions related in Annex 1) (Which ones):

15.Career you request: \_\_\_\_\_

- 16. If Spanish is not your mother tongue, ¿what would you like to do?: (Select with an X):
  - a) \_\_\_\_\_ Undergo Preparatory Spanish Course.
  - b) \_\_\_\_\_ Undergo Spanish proficiency test.
- 17. You would like to live in :
  - a) \_\_\_\_\_ University Residency in University Center of Cojímar (for those who start pre medical and Spanish courses)

b) \_\_\_\_\_ University Residency Basic and Pre Clinical Sciences Institute "Victoria de Girón" (for those beginning the career)

- c) Other accommodation option: (specify which)
- 18. Contact person in case of disease, accident or death.
  Name: Relationship: Phone number: Email:
- 19. Date of your request
- **NOTE:** Attach your CV to this form.

## ANNEX 1

DISABLING CONDITIONS LIST TO ENTER TO CARRY STUDIES OF DIFFERENT PROFESSIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

Warning: If this occurs after your arrival or during the International Sanitary Control or academic course

- 1. Total amputation of limbs or segments of members, excluding those of the lower limbs that are partial and do not require the use of prosthesis
- 2. Marked Cifo- scoliosis.
- 3. Dwarfism.
- 4. Amputation or agenesis of the fingers of one or both hands affecting manual skills
- 5. Ankylosis of large joints.
- 6. Pectum carinatum or excavatum with cardio-respiratory failure
- 7. Curvature, shortening or lengthening of members that avoid their functions or clothing or footwear.
- 8. Acromegaly.
- 9. Chorea or athetosis.
- 10. Blepharospasm. Bilateral ptosis.
- 11. Retinitis Pigmentosa.
- 12. Congenital Glaucoma.
- 13. Bilateral Congenital Cataract.
- 14. Bilateral severe hearing loss or kyphosis.
- 15. Voice disorders and disorders of the speech.
- 16. High degree of stuttering.
- 17. Rhinolalia
- 18. Pemphigus
- 19. Discoid Fixed Lupus Erythematosus
- 20. Generalized dermatitis
- 21. Leprosy.
- 22. Genodermatosis, ichthyosis (according to location and extent of the injury). Epidermolysis bullosa, Xeroderma pigmentosum, Von Recklinghausen Disease.
- 23. Psoriasis
- 24. Paralysis of limbs..
- 25. Ataxia.
- 26. Epilepsy difficult to control.
- 27. Mental deficiency of any degree.
- 28. Personality disorders in a permanent state of inadequacy or frequent periods of decompensation.
- 29. Psychiatric disorders in the form of permanent or frequent seizures despite treatment.
- 30. Aftermath of traumatic injuries, burns or surgery, or keloid scars shrink, which makes movement difficult or produce functional disability or serious aesthetic problems or interfere with wearing clothes or shoes
- 31. Congenital Malformations or permanent disfigurements from any cause.
- 32. Malignancies
- 33. Hemophilia.

34. Sickle Cell Anemia (sicklemia) hypoplastic and aplastic anemia

35. Chronic hepatitis with positive antigen.

36. Cyanotic congenital heart disease

37. Congenital or acquired heart disease with physical limitations.

38. HIV/AIDS.

39. Any kind of active tuberculosis

40. Addictions to psychoactive substances prohibited by the Cuban laws.

41. In the case of requesting Bachelor in Nursing, allergy to penicillin or other products..