FOREIGN LANGUAGE FOR PROFESSIONALS IN HEALTH SCIENCE CAREERS CERTIFICATE

Division: Language Arts
PROGRAM CODE: 1C44702

The Foreign Language for Professionals in Medical Careers Certificate program is a valuable new program that will meet the needs of students who are preparing for careers in the health science industry. This program is designed for students who wish to pursue a rewarding and challenging career in the health science industry. It aims to equip healthcare professionals with the linguistic skills and cultural competence needed to thrive in today's diverse and globalized healthcare landscape. This program is ideally suited for nurses, doctors, medical technicians, therapists, and healthcare administrators seeking to advance their careers in the international healthcare arena. With its emphasis on practical language skills and cultural sensitivity, the program empowers healthcare professionals to make a meaningful impact on patients and communities around the globe. The program will provide students with the foreign language skills they need to provide excellent customer service to international visitors, help them develop a deeper understanding of the cultures and customs of their target markets, and make them more competitive in the global job market. This is not intended to meet the requirements as a professional interpreter or a translator. They will have also successfully completed elementary coursework in the target language, all of which fulfill the lower-division transfer and degree course requirements at CSU and UC. These two elements demonstrate an important milestone along the student's pathway to a foreign language degree, certificate or transfer. To earn a certificate, complete the required courses as listed with a minimum grade of "C" or better. At least 50% of all coursework must be completed at Cypress College. This certificate requires a total of 16.5-21 units.

Code	Title	Units	
Required Core: Courses to be taken as a discipline group in the suggested sequence listed (12-15 units).			
ENGL 100 C	Academic Reading and Writing (formerly: ENGL 100 C College Writing) (Select TWO (2) Courses in ONE (1) Foreign Language Pathway)	4-5	
or ENGL 100 C	Academic Reading and Writing (formerly: ENG 100 C College Writing)	iL	
or ENGL 101 C	Academic Reading and Writing (Formerly: ENG 101 C Enhanced College Writing)	GL	
or ESL 110 C	College Composition for Non-Native Speakers		
Select TWO (2) Courses in ONE (1) Foreign Language Pathway 8-10			
CHIN 101 C	Elementary Chinese-Mandarin I	5	
CHIN 102 C	Elementary Chinese-Mandarin II	5	
OR			
FREN 101 C	Elementary French I	5	
FREN 102 C	Elementary French II	5	
OR			
JAPN 101 C	Elementary Japanese I	5	

JAPN 102 C	Elementary Japanese II	5
OR		
SPAN 101 C	Elementary Spanish I	5
SPAN 102 C	Elementary Spanish II	5
OR		
CHIN 203 C	Intermediate Chinese-Mandarin III	5
CHIN 204 C	Intermediate Chinese-Mandarin IV	4
OR		
FREN 203 C	Intermediate French III	4
FREN 204 C	Intermediate French IV	4
OR		
JAPN 203 C	Intermediate Japanese III	4
JAPN 204 C	Intermediate Japanese IV	4
Select Health Science Electives (4.5-6 units) 4.5-6		
HS 145 C	Survey of Medical Terminology	3
DMS 165 C	Ethical and Legal Issues	1.5-3
or HS 277 C	Cultural Awareness and the Health Care System	
Total Units		16.5-21

Program Student Learning Outcomes:

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OUTCOME 1: Communicate effectively in a foreign language in a variety of medical settings, including hospitals, clinics, and doctor's offices with 70% accuracy.

OUTCOME 2: Provide language assistance to patients and their families, including explaining medical procedures and answering questions about medications with 70% accuracy.

OUTCOME 3: Demonstrate knowledge of medical terminology and cultural competency in the language they are studying with 70% accuracy.

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