SABES II: A PHASE IV MEDICAL STUDENT ELECTIVE

SABES II is a 4 week elective for 4th year medical students who desire a near-immersion medical Spanish language experience.

This course includes four key elements:

A) Intensive classroom instruction in Spanish, taught in a medical context;

B) A sub-internship, consisting of supervised clinical care of Spanish-speaking patients at the Salud Family Health Centers;

C) Home visits in the Latino community as a member of a mobile care unit; and

D) A focused scholarly project, consisting of a 2-3 page paper, written in English or Spanish, describing a specific health disparity, an access-to-care problem, a culture-bound medical syndrome or another health-care related challenge or barrier that surfaced during the clinical component of the elective.

Eligibility/Prerequisites:

A) Fourth-year medical students who have completed the Essentials and Clinical Cores of the curriculum.

B) Completion of 2 years of classroom Spanish language instruction (i.e. 2 semesters of college level Spanish)

C) Basic Spanish language conversation ability (greetings, formation of basic sentences/questions)

D) Some knowledge of Medical Spanish is desirable (past instruction in the School of Medicine’s SABES elective; or successful completion of Common Ground International’s Beginning II Medical Spanish course.

Grading:

Pass/Fail. Assignment of grades will be based upon classroom participation, completion of homework assignments and the scholarly project and feedback provided by the physician mentors at the Salud Family Health Center.

Cost:

Estimated cost is $320 per student.