

LA office presents Web Lecture for Colombian institution

The IACLE LA Office has delivered a one-hour Web Lecture to the optometry department at [Areandina Bogotá](#) in Colombia (19 February).

More than 25 students (pictured) and two IACLE members took part in the lecture, one of a program of live online Web Lectures the IACLE LA office offers to institutions in the region. The topic delivered by **Guillermo Carrillo**, IACLE Americas Regional Coordinator, was 'Contact lens preliminary examination'. **Carolina Rodriguez** was the local IACLE member who coordinated this activity.



- The IACLE LA office invites other institutions and members to take part.

IACLE collaborates actively with FEDOPTO in Colombia



FIACLE **Rosario Vidal** (Colombia) was in charge of an educational program offered by [FEDOPTO](#) this month (24 February).

Rosario presented on 'Corneal diagnosis through Pentacam'. The lecture focused on analysis of data from this equipment which is now a useful tool for gaining a more comprehensive understanding of the corneal surface. Eye care practitioners were the target for this activity.

Costa Rican educator hosts contact lens workshop in Nicaragua

IACLE member **Melania Astúa** (right), an educator from the [Universidad Latina de Costa Rica](#), was in charge of a workshop on contact lens fitting held at [UNAN – Managua](#) last month. This initiative was a collaborative effort between Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Nicaragua and Opticas Visión in Costa Rica. A total of 24 contact lens educators and students from the optometry program took part.

Melania covered soft, rigid and large-diameter contact lenses. **Nydia Herrera**, Head of the Optometry Program at UNAN, was very pleased with the workshop.



Live on air: IACLE in the World



This IACLE weekly program had four editions last month (7, 14, 21 and 28 February) with eight IACLE members taking part. **Leticia Orozco** (Mexico), **Rosario Vidal** (Colombia), **Ricardo Pintor** (Mexico), **Ricardo Flores** (Mexico), **Alejandro Lalama** (Ecuador), **Rolando Rojas** (Perú), **Sergio García** (Colombia) and **José Luis Delgado** (Argentina) were the members interviewed in this month's programs. Topics discussed included 'Proactivity in contact lens fitting', 'Why correct astigmatism?', 'Patient education' and 'Myopia control'.

All the members considered IACLE to be very relevant to contact lens education and IACLE resources had been useful tools when starting out as contact lens educators as well.

IACLE in the World has so far reached 10 countries: Colombia, Perú, Mexico, Ecuador, Argentina, Guatemala, Bolivia, Chile, Nicaragua and USA.

[Franja Visual Radio](#) is web-based radio with an audience of more than 100 eye care practitioners. The program goes every Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:30 am (UTC-5).

Recorded programs can be accessed via the following link:

<http://www.franjavisualradio.com/index.php/programas-especiales/iacle>