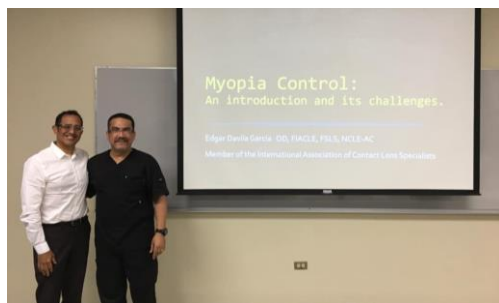




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**Two days, three FIACLEs and education meetings in three countries**

FIACLE **Jorge Vargas** collaborated with the [Universidad San Francisco de Quito](#) (USFQ) to participate in a Contact Lens Course that USFQ organized in Quito, Ecuador (13-14 April). Dr Vargas offered 14 hours of education: 8 hours of lectures and 6 hours of workshops. The group was composed of 12 eye care practitioners. Dr Vargas is an educator from [La Salle University](#) in Bogotá, Colombia. Topics were based on contact specialty fitting in complex cases.



Meanwhile in Puerto Rico, FIACLE **Edgar Davila** presented at a conference on Myopia Control at the [Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico](#) (UIPR) attended by 50 optometry students (14 April). Dr Davila introduced the topic of myopia control and discussed the challenging conditions related to current options available today for managing myopia. Pictured are **Dr Angel Romero**, Dean of Academic Affairs at UIPR (left) and **Dr Edgar Davila**.

The same day, Americas Regional Coordinator, FIACLE **Guillermo Carrillo** (pictured right) from Perú, gave a talk during a Sports Vision Training Course (SVTA) in Lima. Dr Carrillo spoke about the opportunity for contact lens fitting and orthokeratology in sports eye care practice. The course had 10 attendees and 5 hours' duration. The SVTA course focused on 'wake up and train' visual skills and how contact lenses play a role in effectively correcting effectively refractive errors for better sports performance.



**FIACLE from Guatemala to offer contact lens update course**



Next month, FIACLE **Aldo Ortiz** and colleagues will offer a full day's contact lens update course for eye care practitioners in Guatemala (5 May). The course contents will include spherical contact lenses for high refractive errors, new technologies for toric soft contact lenses and high astigmatism, corneal topography interpretation, scleral contact lenses and an update on solutions and lens care.

## IACLE LA Office on Radio – IACLE in the World



Every week the IACLE radio program offers the opportunity for a couple of IACLE members to be interviewed by Americas Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo** (pictured). The IACLE Radio Program is made possible through the support of [www.franjavisualradio.com](http://www.franjavisualradio.com) .

Members from different parts of the region are taking part and share with colleagues and other members their experiences and comments about their educational markets. This month

topics were around: refractive error in children, management of myopia in children, diagnostic contact lenses and contact lens fitting.

IACLE members who took part this month were **Carlos Chacón** (Ecuador), **Alejandro Tapia** (Colombia), **Carolina Rodriguez** (Colombia) and **Eduardo Elvira** (Argentina).

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

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*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>*