



## IACLE Americas plans webinars for Dominican Republic school

The IACLE Americas Regional Office will support the contact lens curriculum of the new optometry program in the Dominican Republic. **Professor Hector Santiago** from the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry will approach the President of the Santiago University of Technology (UTESA) to arrange a presentation on 'What is IACLE?' and 'How can IACLE collaborate on contact lens education at UTESA?'



The plan is to develop a series of webinars for educators from UTESA based on the following content:

- IACLE presentation on its resources and programs
- Preliminary examination for managing contact lens patients
- Basics on contact lens fitting
- Contact lens management for successful fittings
- Care and maintenance of CLs
- Managing adverse effects associated with CLs
- Contact lens business considerations

IACLE members will collaborate on this project and the LA office is keen to enroll new members from this institution.

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

Every week this program offers a space on different contact lens topics discussed by IACLE members across the LA region. Members are interviewed by IACLE Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo** and the program comes thanks to sponsorship from <a href="https://www.franjavisualradio.com">www.franjavisualradio.com</a>. Members from different parts of the region share with colleagues and other members their experiences and comments about their educational markets.

Last month topics were around: 'Collaborative educational programs: academia and industry' and 'The Best of Franja 2020 Virtual'. IACLE members who took part this month were Iris Hernandez (Mexico), Patricia Durán (Ecuador), Martín Giraldo (Colombia), Jorge Vargas (Colombia) and Victoria Báez (Colombia).

IACLE in the World has to date reached 13 LA countries: Colombia, Perú, Mexico, Ecuador, Argentina, Guatemala, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Panama, Nicaragua, Honduras and Brazil.

<u>Franja Visual Radio</u> is web-based radio with an audience over 100 eye care practitioners. The program goes out every Wednesday from 9:00 to 10:00 am (UTC-5).

Recorded programs can be recovered from the following link:

<a href="http://www.franjavisualradio.com/index.php/programas-especiales/iacle">http://www.franjavisualradio.com/index.php/programas-especiales/iacle</a> or through <u>ivoox.</u>