

# *Increasing Demand for Cuban Teaching Services Abroad*

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Havana, September 4 (RHC) — The demand abroad for Cuban professors of different subjects relevant to technical education has increased this year, thus bringing financial benefits to the island's educational system.

Technical Education Director Eugenio Gonzalez said that the number of countries requiring Cuban services continue to increase, with requests of professors in areas such as electricity, mechanics, agronomy, math, physics, civil construction and others.

During 2014, these academic services translated for the Cuban Education Ministry into an income calculated at 15.4 million dollars, while that figure is expected to reach 17 million dollars this year.

The directive recalled that following the latest Cuban Pedagogy Congress last February, there was a diversification of subjects requested by different countries, whose requests went from methodological assistance to direct instruction services.

Some of these requests come from Central American countries, but most of them are issued by Caribbean and African nations, said the official who regretted that at times they are not able to cope with all the demands due to the language barrier.

He insisted that in order to attend to those needs, Cuban professors must particularly learn English, French or Portuguese, as their mastery of these languages is later evaluated by expert commissions in the client countries.

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