

Portuguese (PORT)

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PORT 1001. Basic I. 4 Credit Hours.

Basic Portuguese I is an introductory Portuguese course for students with little or no previous Portuguese experience. The course will develop basic skills for speaking, listening, reading, and writing as well as introduce students to the richness and diversity of Luso-Brazilian cultures. It combines regular classroom instruction and practice with Language Lab sessions dedicated to the use of instructional technology. NOTE: Prior to fall 2009, course title was "Elements I."

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 1002. Basic II. 4 Credit Hours.

Basic Portuguese II is a continuation of the work begun in Basic I. The course further develops basic skills for speaking, listening, reading, and writing, and it continues the introduction to the richness and diversity of Luso-Brazilian cultures. It combines regular classroom instruction and practice with Language Lab sessions dedicated to the use of instructional technology. NOTE: Prior to fall 2009, course title was "Elements II."

Course Attributes: LA

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in PORT 1001.

PORT 1003. Intermediate. 3 Credit Hours.

This is a communicative intermediate Portuguese course. More sophisticated grammar will be introduced and students will continue to develop speaking, listening, reading, and writing competencies. Class work will include discussions, videos, and writing. Students will take a more active role in their own learning process by using computer technology out of class to hone grammar skills and explore the multi-faceted world of Luso-Brazilian culture.

Course Attributes: LB

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in PORT 1002.

PORT 1021. Portuguese for Spanish Speakers. 3 Credit Hours.

An intensive Portuguese course intended for students who have completed four semesters of instructional Spanish or have a native or native-like command of the language. There is emphasis on all basic skills for speaking, listening, reading, and writing, in addition to introducing the richness and diversity of Luso-Brazilian cultures. It combines regular classroom instruction and practice with Language Lab sessions dedicated to the use of instructional technology. This course meets the instructional objectives equivalent to Portuguese 1003. NOTE: Prior to fall 2009, course title was "Concentrated Elements."

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 2001. Composition and Conversation. 3 Credit Hours.

The course devotes time to reading comprehension and oral expression, but the main thrust of the course is written expression using appropriate Portuguese grammar.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in PORT 1003.

PORT 2002. Readings in Portuguese. 3 Credit Hours.

This course devotes time to speaking and writing skills, but the main emphasis is reading comprehension and interpretation of texts in Portuguese.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in PORT 2001.

PORT 2101. Conversational Review. 3 Credit Hours.

Portuguese 2101 is an intermediate conversation and grammar course that strengthens listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills, and reviews important grammar points. The main objective is to enhance proficiency in Portuguese in the four basic language skills, and to foster cultural literacy of the Portuguese speaking world. To achieve these ends, there will be grammar review, assigned homework, readings, and daily oral participation, as well as interactive presentations, videos and dialogues. The majority of class time will be dedicated to conversation in Portuguese through pair work, individual and group presentations, and classroom discussion. Students will also read short chronicles, stories, newspaper articles and poems written in Portuguese.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in (PORT 1002 or PORT 1021)

PORT 2104. Portuguese for Business Professions. 3 Credit Hours.

Students will acquire the foundational knowledge of the language used in Portuguese-language business interactions, as well as business practices in the Portuguese-speaking world. Students will write business letters, participate in role-plays, and explore the nuances of doing business in Portuguese-speaking countries, in particular in Brazil.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in (PORT 1002 or PORT 1021)

PORT 3101. Readings in Luso-Brazilian Literature. 3 Credit Hours.

Themes in Luso-Brazilian culture in the context of short prose readings, including the short story and the short novel. Emphasis on tools for advanced reading: vocabulary recognition, comprehension of idiomatic expressions, and knowledge of advanced grammar. Includes writing and oral discussion.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 3201. Portuguese-Speaking Cultures. 3 Credit Hours.

Diverse subjects in Brazilian and Portuguese studies fall under this rubric. In addition to readings of original texts, this course incorporates discussions on the central history, politics, society, and cultural aspects related to the foundation and development of both Portugal and Brazil. NOTE: Prior to summer 2015, the course title was "Portuguese and Brazilian Culture and Civilization."

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 4000. Special Topics in Portuguese. 3 Credit Hours.

This course examines specific topics in contemporary Brazilian and/or Portuguese culture, literature, or linguistics. Course content varies each semester to offer optimum exposure to new areas of study.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PORT 4083. Directed Reading. 1 to 3 Credit Hour.

Special readings of Portuguese by arrangement with a Portuguese faculty member.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in any 3000-level PORT course.

PORT 4101. Brazilian Short Story. 3 Credit Hours.

An overview of Brazilian short stories from 1900 to the present. Selected texts introduce students to the work of major Brazilian writers of the genre. While focusing primarily on literary texts, the course will also draw attention to literary movements and major themes.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of C- in any 3000-level PORT course.

PORT 4102. Contemporary Portuguese and/or Brazilian Literature. 3 Credit Hours.

A survey of twentieth-century literary movements in Portuguese and/or Brazilian prose and poetry, such as pre-modernism, modernism, and regionalism with an emphasis on contemporary writers.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 5000. Special Topics in Portuguese. 3 Credit Hours.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PORT 5101. Brazilian Short Story. 3 Credit Hours.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PORT 5102. Contemporary Portuguese and Brazilian Literature. 3 Credit Hours.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.