Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Culture minor

Overview
Students interested in studying the Portuguese language and the cultures of Brazil and other Portuguese-speaking countries can enroll in the minor in Portuguese Language and Luso-Brazilian cultures. This course of study opens channels of communication with millions of people around the world, including Brazil, Latin America’s largest and most heavily populated country. The department encourages students to include at least one semester of study abroad in a Portuguese-speaking country. The department offers courses taught in English for students interested in Hispanic, Latin American, Luso-Brazilian, or U.S. Latino cultures.

This minor requires 15 credits for completion, detailed as follows.

Requirements for the Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Culture minor
Students must complete five courses (15 credits) of coursework from the following list. Only one course that is taught in English (indicated by *) may be used to meet requirements for this minor.

- PORT 0101 or PORT 1010
- PORT 0102
- PORT 0103
- PORT 0104
- PORT 0120
- PORT 0125
- PORT 1052
- PORT 1053*
- PORT 1061
- PORT 1458*

Note: Students must apply for any official minor they will complete or have completed at the time they apply for graduation. Students must complete at least half of the credits toward these minors while enrolled in the Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Pittsburgh.

Grade requirements
Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher in departmental courses. No course with a grade below C will count toward the major requirements.

Placement
If a student places out of a required course for the minor, the student will need to take the equivalent number of credits in additional mid- or upper-level Spanish courses in order to meet minimum credit requirements.

Study Abroad
The department offers programs in Buenos Aires, Argentina; Alcalà de Henares, Spain; Havana, Cuba; and Lisbon, Portugal. For more information please visit the Study Abroad Office website at www.Abroad.Pitt.edu or by phone 412-624-7413.

Spanish Writing Center
This center provides free, individual help to students enrolled in language, grammar and literature courses. Students may also stop by to practice their conversational skills. The Spanish Writing Center, located in CL 1302-B, is staffed by TAs and/or TFs from the department. The center will be open from September to May; schedules are announced at the beginning of each fall and spring term.

Spanish and Portuguese clubs
These two clubs will offer activities throughout the academic year. Check the department’s Web site for details about Mesas de conversación, Movie Nights, and Brazil Nuts events.

General Information
CL 1309
412-624-5225

Advising
Students pursuing the Portuguese minor can schedule an appointment with an advisor on the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures’ Web site.

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