

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES

COURSES TAUGHT IN PORTUGUESE



PORT 216: Intensive Brazilian Portuguese for Spanish Students and Speakers

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Study the language of Brazil and unlock the door to this exciting giant of South America. Learning Brazilian Portuguese may not change your life, but then again, maybe it will. Why take a chance?

Due to their similarities in structure and vocabulary, your knowledge of Spanish will put you on the fast track to learning Portuguese. In this intensive course you can expect to gain a good functional knowledge of this language, which is spoken by 230 million people. You will also learn about Brazilian culture, and Brazilian popular music will be incorporated into our lessons to reinforce language learning. Come prepared to groove to Bossa Nova and other Brazilian rhythms, and to have fun learning a really cool language!

Prerequisite: One 300-level Spanish course or equivalent, or being a native or heritage speaker of Spanish.

Note: As a beginning language course, PORT 216 is not intended for native or heritage speakers of Portuguese.

PORT 216 is part of Option II of the Spanish major and can count toward the Latin American and Iberian Studies major and minor. It is also part of the Foreign Language Certificate in Brazilian Portuguese. Portuguese can be used as Language Three for the Three Language Major. Additionally, this course helps students prepare for the winter session in Brazil where they can continue studying Portuguese.