

LUSO-BRAZILIAN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE (PORTUGUESE) (MINOR)

Department Website (<http://as.nyu.edu/spanish/>)

Program Description

With over 250 million speakers worldwide, making it the world's sixth most-spoken language, Portuguese has a trans-hemispheric presence from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean and the Pacific. Through a minor in Portuguese, students achieve advanced proficiency and are introduced to key aspects of the Luso-Afro-Brazilian world. Portugal's early modern maritime expansion and colonial exploits indelibly shaped Lusophone Africa, Brazil, and even former colonies in Goa, East Timor, and Macao. Through selected coursework students learn about the ways in which Portuguese colonial power was enacted and resisted; are introduced to the unique forms of intercultural expression created across the Lusophone world, including the powerful presence of West African culture in present-day Brazil; and study contemporary debates about culture, power, and politics across this field. Students are encouraged to study away with our summer program in Recife, Brazil (<https://cas.nyu.edu/summer-abroad/summer-in-brazil.html>), as part of the minor. The Department of Spanish and Portuguese is an interdisciplinary department focused on the languages, cultural formations, and critical thought emerging from the Luso-Afro-Brazilian world as well as from Latin America, the Caribbean, and Spain. Students interested in the major track in Portuguese should consult the Spanish and Portuguese (BA) page in this Bulletin.

Minor Declaration

To request declaration of a minor, CAS students should visit the host department. To request declaration of a cross-school minor, CAS students should complete the online Minor Application available in their Albert Student Center. Students may also use the Minor Application (<https://www.nyu.edu/students/student-information-and-resources/registration-records-and-graduation/forms-policies-procedures.html>) in Albert to request cancellation of a CAS or cross-school minor.

Program Requirements

The minor requires the completion of five 4-credit courses (20 credits) above the intermediate level, comprised of the following:

Course	Title	Credits
Minor Requirements		
<i>Required Course</i>		
PORT-UA 50	Advanced Portuguese	4
<i>Minor Elective Courses</i>		
Select four electives chosen from any course numbered 100 or above ¹		
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Total Credits		20

¹ At least one elective must be a PORT-UA 3XX course conducted in Portuguese. Portuguese courses at the graduate level may be counted toward the minor with the permission of the director of undergraduate studies.

Policies

Program Policies

Department of Spanish and Portuguese: Policies Applying to All Departmental Minors

Students who wish to minor must declare with the department and select courses in consultation with the director of undergraduate studies. All minor courses must be completed with a grade of C or better (Pass/Fail grades do not count). Transfer students must complete at least half the courses for their minor (three courses for a five-course minor) in residence at NYU.

Double-Counting Policy

Minors may share (double count) one course with a major or a second minor, with permission from the other department/program.

Placement in Portuguese Language Courses

For further information please consult the section on language placement (<https://as.nyu.edu/departments/spanish/undergraduate/placement.html>) at the department's website. To contact the director of the language program (DLP), write to spanish.dlp@nyu.edu.

Registering for Portuguese Classes

- Spanish speakers with no formal training in Portuguese may register directly for PORT-UA 11 Elementary Portuguese for Spanish Speakers.
- Other students with no training in Portuguese may register for PORT-UA 1 Portuguese for Beginners I or PORT-UA 10.
- Students with any previous formal training in and/or familiarity with Portuguese must take the CAS online placement exam in Portuguese. Students will receive a score placing them in a certain level of the language and must register for that level.
- Students with a placement score of 69 or higher wishing to continue their study of Portuguese at NYU should contact the Directors of the Language Program at spanish.dlp@nyu.edu for further guidance.

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

College of Arts and Science Policies

A full list of relevant academic policies can be found on the CAS Academic Policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/arts-science/academic-policies/>).