

PORTUGUESE (PRTG)

PRTG 110 Elementary Portuguese I

Portuguese 110 is a first-semester introductory language course for students who have not studied Portuguese before, or who have had little exposure to the language. The course will emphasize the development of foundational reading, writing, listening and speaking abilities within a cultural context. Students will participate in paired and group activities designed to elicit meaningful and accurate exchanges of information.

The course will introduce students to Portuguese and Lusophone culture through a variety of authentic materials, including texts, songs, films and other audio and video material. Classes will be conducted in Portuguese.

For BA Students: Language Course

Course usually offered in fall term

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 114 Portuguese for Spanish Speakers I

Portuguese 114 is designed for students who have studied Spanish.

The course begins with exposure to basic vocabulary and structures, advancing at an accelerated pace. Classroom activities will emphasize pronunciation, spoken production as well as language structures and vocabulary. Students will participate in pairs, small-groups and whole-class activities that focus on the meaningful and accurate exchange of information. The class will be conducted in Portuguese.

One-term course offered either term

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 120 Elementary Portuguese II

This class continues the development of a basic proficiency that will help reinforce the student's abilities and confidence. A broad range of lively, high-interest readings such as newspaper and magazine articles in current events on Brazilian culture will allow the student to gain a genuine sense of current usage. A Brazilian movie is presented and discussed in groups. Daily homework assignments involve writing exercises, short compositions and group projects.

For BA Students: Language Course

Course usually offered in spring term

Prerequisite: PRTG 110 or instructor's permission

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 130 Intermediate Portuguese I

This is a third-semester intermediate course, in a four-course strand, designed for students who have taken at least two semesters of Portuguese. Classroom activities will emphasize pronunciation, spoken production, language structures and vocabulary, as students explore movies, music and other authentic media to further develop their ability to communicate in Portuguese. The course will be conducted in Portuguese.

For BA Students: Language Course

Course usually offered in fall term

Prerequisite: PRTG 120 or instructor's permission

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 134 Portuguese for Spanish Speakers II

Portuguese 134 is an accelerated intermediate course designed for students who have taken Portuguese for Spanish Speakers I, or its equivalent. Classroom activities will emphasize the development of pronunciation and spoken production, the use of language structures and vocabulary at the intermediate level. In addition, students will explore movies, music, short stories, and other media as they further develop reading, speaking and interpretive skills in Portuguese. The course will be conducted in Portuguese.

One-term course offered either term

Prerequisite: PRTG 114

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 140 Intermediate Portuguese II

This is a fourth-semester intermediate course, in a four-course strand, designed for students who have taken at least three semesters of Portuguese. Classroom activities will emphasize pronunciation, spoken production, grammar and language structures, and vocabulary at the advanced intermediate level. Students will explore movies, readings, news, music and other media as they further develop speaking, writing, reading and interpretive skills in Portuguese. The course will be conducted in Portuguese.

For BA Students: Last Language Course

Course usually offered in spring term

Prerequisite: PRTG 130 or instructor's permission

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 202 Advanced Portuguese

This course is designed for students who have already taken basic and intermediate levels of Portuguese. It complements students' knowledge of Portuguese by emphasizing the use of advanced grammatical structures and vocabulary. Classes will focus on practicing such advanced language structures by reading a diverse range of texts, including short stories by different authors of the Lusophone countries, and one novel; speaking and writing about a variety of contemporary texts; watching movies and documentaries; and listening to news, songs and other authentic audio material. The emphasis will be on language usage and culture. This course will be conducted in Portuguese.

For BA Students: Advanced Language Course

One-term course offered either term

Prerequisites: PRTG 134, PRTG 140 or instructor's permission

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 215 Portuguese for the Professions

Portuguese for the Professions is designed for advanced-level students to develop their ability to use a wide technical vocabulary. The course will cover an array of topics in the areas of Economy, Politics, Science, Technology, Law and others as they pertain to the societies and cultures of the Lusophone countries, with particular emphasis placed on Brazil. Through readings, movies, discussions, essays and presentations, students will enhance their ability to write about and discuss these topics while employing the appropriate technical vocabulary.

One-term course offered either term

Prerequisite: Portuguese 202

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 217 Portuguese for the Professions II

Portuguese for the Professions II is a second-semester course designed to provide advanced-level students with exposure to, and practice in, a wide variety of technical vocabulary, and to develop their communicative skills on topics related to Brazil's economic, social and historical context. Classroom activities will be based on the readings and discussions of articles, papers, the viewing of documentaries and other visual media, covering an array of topics within the proposed themes. The course will be conducted in Portuguese.

For BA Students: Advanced Language Course

Course usually offered in fall term

Prerequisite: Portuguese 202

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 221 Perspectives in Brazilian Culture

Topics vary. For current course description, please see department's webpage: <https://www.sas.upenn.edu/hispanic-portuguese-studies/pc>

Taught by: Mercia Flannery

Course not offered every year

Also Offered As: LALS 231

Prerequisite: Portuguese 202

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit

PRTG 240 Topics in Brazilian Culture

Topics vary. For current course description, please see department's webpage: <https://www.sas.upenn.edu/hispanic-portuguese-studies/pc>

One-term course offered either term

Also Offered As: CIMS 232, LALS 240

Activity: Seminar

1 Course Unit