CONCENTRATION OPTIONS

A. Portuguese I, II, or Accelerated Introductory through Portuguese IV
B. Portuguese III and two subjects beyond
C. Portuguese IV or above, plus two more subjects

Concentration Proposal approval must be obtained by the first week of classes second term junior year.

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2021–2022
Why Study Portuguese?

Portuguese is spoken by over 230 million people worldwide. In addition to Brazil and Portugal, it is the official language of Angola, Cape Verde, East Timor, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, and São Tomé and Príncipe. Also, it is the third most commonly spoken language in Massachusetts. Brazil is the 8th largest economy in the world and the economic superpower of Latin America. Likewise, Lisbon is emerging as a tech hub for Europe. Of course, Brazilian culture, and musical genres such as samba and bossa nova are widely appreciated around the globe.

At MIT, are you considering a MISTI internship in Brazil or Portugal? Coursework in Portuguese language is strongly recommended.

Portuguese Schedule

Fall 2021

21G.801 Portuguese I
Introduction to the language and culture of the Portuguese-speaking world, with special attention to Brazilian Portuguese. Focuses on basic oral expression, listening comprehension, and elementary reading and writing. Students develop their vocabulary and understanding of grammatical concepts through active communication. Designed for students with no knowledge of Portuguese. HASS-H
MTWF, 11-1, N. Dominique

21G.803 Portuguese III
Expands the breadth and depth of students’ skills in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing Portuguese while continuing to provide exposure to the history and cultures of the Portuguese-speaking world. Uses short stories, films and music to study issues of historical and current interest. HASS-H
MTRF, 10-11, N. Dominique

21G.820 Topics in Modern Portuguese Literature and Culture: Portugues Language through Brazilian Film
This class is an introduction to Brazilian Cinema focusing on some of the most representative contemporary Brazilian film productions of the past half-century. We examine their historical, social, political, and social context. The selected films explore topics such as social inequality, migration, race relations, the role of women in society, as well as major political and historical events that have impacted Brazilian society. Emphasis will be placed on overall language enrichment of oral and written Portuguese through class discussions, grammatical analysis, and vocabulary building.
HASS-H
MF,2-3:30, N. Dominique

Looking Ahead

IAP 2022

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Spring 2022

21G.802 Portuguese II
Continuation of 21G.801. Focuses on expanding communication skills and further development of linguistic competency. Uses a variety of authentic sources, such as the Internet, audio, video, and printed materials, to help develop cultural awareness and linguistic proficiency. Coordinated language lab. HASS-H

21G.804 Portuguese IV
Continued study of the language and culture to improve fluency, accuracy and style in both oral and written communication. Students discuss current news articles, short literary texts, films, music and web-based materials dealing with issues relevant to the Portuguese-speaking world. Coursework also includes grammar review. HASS-H

Study and Intern Abroad

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- MIT-Brazil
- MIT-Portugal