

Course Description

POR2220 | Intermediate Portuguese 1 | 4.00 credits

Students will learn to understand, speak, read, write, and gain cultural awareness of Portuguese through a systematic review (using an integrated, multimedia approach) of reading, grammar, and writing skills with emphasis on oral and written communication.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will engage in interpersonal communication on a variety of topics, handling social and professional interactions by:

- 1. Initiating a conversation and participating in discussions, such as asking for information, details, and explanations during a conversation.
- 2. Giving information about activities, such as daily routines, interests and hobbies, and preferences in various time frames.
- 3. Asking for information during an interview.
- 4. Communicating about real-life situations, such as scheduling an appointment or inquiring about membership in an organization.
- 5. Exchanging information about work and special interest subjects.

Competency 2: The student will engage in presentational speaking on familiar topics using connected sentences by:

- 1. Presenting personal and social experiences, such as describing a childhood experience, reporting on a social event, and plans for the future.
- 2. Presenting something learned or researched, such as a current event, an academic subject, or a famous person, landmark, or cultural event in various time frames.
- 3. Providing personal viewpoints, such as discussing a favorite movie or song, a famous person or historical figure, and sharing reactions about a current event.

Competency 3: The student will engage in presentational writing on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences by:

- 1. Writing messages and announcements, such as common events, daily routines, autobiographical statements, job applications, invitations, and flyers.
- 2. Writing short reports about something learned or researched, such as articles on current events, minutes, and debriefings.
- 3. Composing communication for public distribution, such as upcoming events, reviews in general, discussion forums, and some limited publication materials related to school or work.

Competency 4: The student will engage in interpretive listening related to a variety of topics on everyday life, personal interest, and studies by:

- 1. Reading basic information in ads, announcements, and other simple recordings, such as TV and radio advertisements, greetings, and movie previews.
- 2. Comprehending the main idea of recorded material for personal enjoyment, such as video conferences, YouTube clips, and peer-recorded descriptions.
- 3. Analyzing messages related to everyday life, such as voice messages and box office recordings.

Competency 5: The student will engage in interpretive reading to identify the main idea of texts related to everyday life, personal interests, or studies by:

- 1. Answering questions asked on career preferences.
- 2. Answering personal questions in the completion of profiles.
- 3. Comprehending information in written announcements.
- 4. Reading information in ads, travel brochures, and food labels.
- 5. Reading updates, postings, and postcards on personal and familiar topics.

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Competency 6: The student will be exposed to traditions, customs, and the arts through the use of interpersonal, presentational, and interpretive communication by:

- 1. Differentiating between products and practices to help gain perspectives.
- 2. Recognizing products related to everyday life, personal interests, or studies.
- 3. Interacting at a functional level in some familiar contexts.
- 4. Conversing with peers from the target culture in school, work, or play situations and showing interest in basic cultural similarities and differences.
- 5. Recognizing that significant differences and behaviors exist among cultures using appropriate learned behaviors and avoiding some social blunders.

Learning Outcomes:

• Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.