



CIEE Lisbon, Portugal

Course name:	Intensive Portuguese Language, Advanced II
Course number:	PORT 3002 LILC
Programs offering course:	Language and Culture
Language of instruction:	Portuguese
U.S. Semester Credits:	3
Contact Hours:	45
Term:	Fall 2019

Course Description

The Portuguese course has an emphasis on the development of communicative skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing) and complex grammatical structures. The course also addresses aspects of the Portuguese culture, history, literature and contemporary way of life and current events.

Learning Objectives

1. To understand a wide range of demanding, long texts, and recognize implicit meaning.
2. To be able to express oneself fluently and spontaneously without obvious searching for expressions.
3. To interact fluently and spontaneously, allowing regular interaction with native speakers without strain for either party.
4. To produce clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects, showing controlled use of organizational patterns, connectors and cohesive devices.
5. To explain viewpoints on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various arguments.
6. To know the most relevant aspects of Portuguese history and literature.

Course Prerequisites

Students are given a placement test on-site.

Methods of Instruction

Coursebook, handouts given in class, power point, internet, audio files, image files, video files.



Assessment and Final Grade

For the final grade, the following elements will be considered:

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| 1. Class participation: | 20% |
| 2. Homework assignments: | 15% |
| 3. Group work: | 20% |
| 4. Oral presentation: | 20% |
| 5. Final exam: | 25% |

Course Requirements

Class Participation

Students should participate making use of the grammar and vocabulary. They will be asked to orally simulate day life situations/dialogues and to argue on a specific subject.

Homework assignments

After every session, students will be asked to do homework about what was covered in class, to systematize rules and reinforce reading and writing skills. Completed homework should always be submitted in the following class. Further homework assignment instructions will be given in class.

Group work

Students will work in pairs or small groups and they will simulate day life situations. All the dialogues will be presented and discussed in class.

Oral presentation

Students will make an oral presentation of 10 minutes about a subject of Portuguese culture.

The evaluation parameters include: language skills (syntax, grammar, pronunciation, fluency) and content (quality and structure of contents)

Final Exam

The final exam is a written exam and takes place in the last day of the course.

The test is divided in 4 groups: group I - text reading and comprehension, group II-IV – writing

Attendance

CIEE students are required to attend all classes. Absences are not allowed. If you are sick, you must inform your professor and provide a doctor's note to the Resident Director. Half a point will be subtracted to your final grade if you miss 5 hours of classes. A point will be subtracted to your final grade if you miss 6 hours of classes. Two points will be subtracted to your final grade if you miss 7 hours of classes. You will fail the course if you miss more than 7 hours of classes.



Weekly Schedule

Week 1

Session 1

Language and Communication:

Introductions

Readings and conversation about Portuguese cultural values

Grammar:

Revision: present, past tense, imperfect indicative and future expressions

Exercises:

Text reading and comprehension

Explaining the sense of expressions in a text

Oral discussion

Listening to a text to identify true or false elements

Arguing about a given subject

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Homework:

Writing a description of daily activities

Session 2

Language and Communication

Conversation and readings about current news on cultural topics

Cultural and idiomatic expressions

Portuguese traditions and culture

Grammar

Revisions

Exercises

Text reading and comprehension

Explaining the sense of sentences and expressions in a text



Simulating a dialogue in daily situations / contexts: going to the restaurant and going to the supermarket

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.
Vamos lá Continuar coursebook, pp. 42-47.

Homework:

Composition: Writing a text about a newspaper report.

Session 3

Language and Communication:

Portuguese traditions

Social interaction

Conversation and readings about current events topics

Grammar

General practice

Exercises

Text reading and comprehension

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Cultural activity

Visiting portuguese cities: Caldas da Rainha, Foz do Arelho, Óbidos.

Homework:

Composition: Write about the differences between Lisbon and the towns visited on the fieldtrip.

Week 2

Session 4

Language and Communication

Social interaction in public services (travel agency and hotel)

Grammar



Revision: personal pronouns (direct and indirect object and with preposition), placement of personal pronouns

Revision: verbs and prepositions

Exercises

Text reading and comprehension

Explaining vocabulary and developing vocabulary strategies

Simulating a dialogue in daily situations / contexts: making a flight and accommodation reservation

Rewriting texts using different levels of formality

Writing a letter / e-mail (formal and informal)

Arguing about a given subject

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Vamos lá Continuar coursebook, pp. 86-95; 179-184.

Homework:

Write a letter to a travel agency to book a trip to Porto, with travel, accommodation and cultural activities arrangements.

Session 5

Language and Communication

Conversation and readings about cultural and historical topics: the meaning and history of national holidays

Portuguese history

Portuguese politics

Grammar

Revision: personal pronouns (direct and indirect object and with preposition), placement of personal pronouns

Revision: verbs and prepositions

Exercises

Text listening and comprehension

Arguing about a given subject

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Vamos lá Continuar coursebook, pp. 110-118.

Homework:

Writing an opinion text, comparing and contrasting the US and Portugal on relevant social and cultural aspects.

Session 6

Language and Communication

Cultural and idiomatic expressions

Conversation and readings about cultural topics: educational system in Portugal

Social interaction in public services (bank)

Grammar

Revision: simple tenses of indicative

Revision: simple tenses of subjunctive

Exercises

Simulating a dialogue in daily situations / contexts

Text listening and comprehension

Arguing about a given subject

Writing an interview

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Vamos lá Continuar coursebook, pp. 144-158.

Session 7

Language and Communication

Social interaction

Cultural and idiomatic expressions

Conversation and readings about cultural topics: the employment situation in Portugal

Grammar

General practice

Exercises

Text reading and comprehension

Explaining the sense of expressions in a text

Explaining the sense of idiomatic expressions in a text

Simulating a dialogue in daily situations / contexts

Readings:

Handout and worksheet given by the instructor.

Vamos lá Continuar coursebook, pp. 144-158.

Cultural activity



Visiting a Museum (Museu do Dinheiro)

Homework:

Writing a dialogue using idiomatic expressions.

Session 8

Language and Communication

Discussion about Portugal

Wrap up.

Grammar

General practice

Evaluation

Oral presentations

Final exam

Course Materials

Coursebook

Rosa, Leonel Mendes (2011). *Vamos lá continuar!*, Edições Lidel

Handouts

Newspaper clippings handed by the instructor.

Worksheets given in class by the instructor.

Readings

Tavares, Ana and Malcata Hermínia (2002), *A Atualidade em Português*, Lisboa. Edições Lidel.