

Portuguese & Brazilian Studies

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THE CONCENTRATION: The concentration in Portuguese and Brazilian Studies is the study of the Portuguese-speaking world, a large and diverse geographical and cultural area spread over five continents, including Brazil, Continental and Insular Portugal, Lusophone Africa and Luso-America, and inhabited by over two hundred million people.

Although students are encouraged to explore the global nature of the Portuguese-speaking world, their individual program will generally focus on one of the specific geographical areas mentioned above.

Using the Portuguese language as a basis, the concentration in Portuguese and Brazilian Studies allows students to develop their interests in the areas of language, literature, education, history and the social sciences. The concentration consists of eight interrelated courses selected from Portuguese and Brazilian Studies and other departments. The prerequisite for the concentration is **POBS 0400** or equivalent (prerequisites do not count toward the eight concentration requirements).

| CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS | |
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| Mapping Portuguese-Speaking Cultures: Brazil | POBS 610 |
| Mapping Portuguese-Speaking Cultures: Portugal and Africa | POBS 620 |
| Portuguese Stylistics | POBS 1030 |
| Concentration Seminar | POBS 1800 |
| Four courses selected from Portuguese and Brazilian Studies and/or related departments | May include: AFRI, ANTH, HIST, POLS, SOC |

Opportunities Include:

- Brown-in-Brazil Program (PUC-Rio de Janeiro)
- Academic Year in Portugal
- Summer Study in Brazil
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FOREIGN STUDY: Study either in Brazil or in Portugal (usually in the junior year or during the summer) is strongly encouraged as an important part of the concentration. Up to four credits from these programs may be applied toward the concentration.

EVENTS: The Department sponsors an active program of lectures, colloquia and symposia, which are intended to complement the students' classroom experience and serve the Brown and local communities at large.

Throughout the semester the Department hosts informal gatherings of students and faculty at which Portuguese is exclusively spoken. The events, called *bate-papos* or *pizza & papos*, are held on Friday afternoons, and feature snacks, drinks and sometimes an activity such as music or board games. All speakers of Portuguese are welcome.

MORE INFORMATION

<http://www.brown.edu/academics/portuguese-brazilian-studies/undergraduate-program>