Course title: Semester Portuguese Language, Intermediate I
Course code: PORT 2003 LILC
Programs offering course: Language and Culture
Language of instruction: Portuguese
U.S. semester credits: 3.00
Contact hours: 45.00
Term: Spring 2021

Course Description
The Portuguese course has an emphasis on the development of the communicative skills (speaking, listening, reading and writing) and grammatical structures. The course also addresses aspects of the Portuguese culture and way of life.

Learning Objectives
By completing this course, students will:

- Interpret texts about concrete topics.
- Write clear texts about concrete topics.
- Demonstrate good communication skills in daily life and routine situations with native speakers.
- Express preferences and a point of view on a given topic.
- Distinguish cultural features of the Portuguese language in different contexts.

Course Prerequisites
Students are given a placement test on-site.

Methods of Instruction
Textbook, handouts given in class, power point, internet, audio files, image files, video files, fieldtrips.

Assessment and Final Grade
1. Homework & Journal Assignments 20%
2. Midterm Test 20%
3. Oral Presentations 10%
4. Conversation Test 10%
5. Final Exam 20%
6. Class Participation 20%
TOTAL 100%

Course Requirements

Homework & Journal 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 (10%).

Students should write a journal on their study in Portugal experience in Portuguese. At least 10 entries of 250 words throughout the course (10%)

Further homework assignment instructions will be given in class.

Midterm Test
The midterm written text will take place in week 6.
Students will be given 1 hour to take the exam.

Evaluation of reading comprehension and writing, grammar and vocabulary.

**Oral Presentations**

Students will make 3 oral presentations of 6-8 minutes.

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

**Conversation Test**

Students will have to develop a dialogue with the teacher on topics covered in class.

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 in-class exam.

Students will be given 1 hour to take the exam.

Evaluation of reading comprehension and writing, grammar and vocabulary.

**Class Participation**

Students should participate making use of the grammar and vocabulary. They will be asked to orally simulate day life situations/dialogues, give opinions about a theme, describe situations, places or objects.

**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 4 hours. A point will be subtracted to your final grade if you miss 5 hours. Two points will be subtracted to your final grade if you miss 6 hours. You will fail the course if you miss more than 6 hours of classes.

*N.B. Course schedule is subject to change due to study tours, excursions, or local holidays. Final schedules will be included in the final syllabus provided to students on site.*

**Weekly Schedule**

**Week 1**

Class: 1.1

**Language and Communication 1**

Greetings and introductions – formal and informal

Daily routines

Hours

Days of the week

Months
Seasons

**Grammar 1**
 Articles
 Plural forms
 Gender
 Interrogatives
 Personal pronouns
 Regular and irregular verbs in the present of the indicative

**Exercises 1**
 Text reading and comprehension: “Coruja ou Cotovia?”
 Answering questions about the text
 Matching grammar and vocabulary exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 1)*

**Homework:**
 Regular and irregular verbs in the present of the indicative (worksheet handed by the instructor)

**Class: 1.2**

**Language and Communication 2**
 Instructions and classroom rules. Introduction to the coursebook and homework explanation.

**Grammar 2**
 Imperative tense formal addressing

**Exercises 2**
 Identifying nouns, verbs, adjectives and prepositions
 Matching exercises with imperative tense

**Class: 1.3**

**Language and Communication 3**
 Lives and careers of famous Portuguese people

**Grammar 3**
 Simple past tense regular verbs
 Words formation verb - adjective

**Exercises 3**
 Text reading and comprehension: interviews to Ronaldo and Mariza
 Explaining the meaning of expressions
 Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
 Multiple choice exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 2)*

**Homework:**
Describing someone famous (individual homework for oral presentation on session 5)

Class: 1.4.

**Language and Communication 4**
Physical and psychological descriptions
Friendship

**Grammar 4**
Simple past tense irregular verbs
Relative pronouns

**Exercises 4**
Text reading and comprehension: “Entrevista a amigos”
Explore the meaning of expressions in a text
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises

(*Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 3*)

**Week 2**
Class: 2.1.

**Language and Communication 5**
Famous people’s lives, careers and physical description

**Grammar 5**
Practicing contents

**Exercises 5**
Oral presentation: describing someone famous (6 minutes)

(*Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 3*)

Class: 2.2.

**Language and Communication 6**
Wishes and requests

**Grammar 6**
Imperfect past tense
Word formation - *idade*

**Exercises 6**
Text reading and comprehension “Gostava de...”
Answering questions about the text
Fill-in-the-blanks

(*Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 4*)

Class: 2.3.

**Language and Communication 7**
The history of Lisbon

**Grammar 7**
Simple past tense vs Imperfect past tense

**Exercises 7**
Text reading and comprehension: “A história de Lisboa”
Rewriting sentences
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 4)*

Class: 2.4

**Language and Communication 8**
Family and friends
**Grammar 8**
Infinitive tense

**Exercises 8**
Text reading and comprehension: “Mudar de família”
Explaining vocabulary
Text listening: “A experiência de morar com outra família”
Multiple choice exercises
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 5)*

**Week 3**
Class: 3.1

**Language and Communication 9**
Living with a Portuguese family
**Grammar 9**
Infinitive tense

**Exercises 9**
Text reading: “Viver com uma família”
Giving opinion
Describing actions
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 5)*

**Homework:**
Verbs fill-in-the blanks exercise (worksheet handed by the instructor)

Class: 3.2

**Language and Communication 10**
The use of mobile phone
**Grammar 10**
Infinitive tense
Word formation: -ador

**Exercises 10**
Test reading and comprehension: “Os Desligados”
Answering to a quiz about social networks, mobile and apps
Organizing paragraphs
Explain the meaning of words in the text
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 6)*

**Language and Communication 11**
(Unit 6 coursebook)
The use of computer
House equipment

**Grammar 11**
Infinitive tense
“Demais” vs “demasiado”

**Exercises 11**
Dialogs listening: “House equipment”
Sentences writing
Matching exercises (vocabulary)
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 6)*

**Homework:**
True or false exercises and organizing sentences (worksheet handed by the instructor)

**Class: 3.3**

**Language and Communication 12**
Professional routines

**Grammar 12**
Expressions “já”, “próprio”, “ainda”

**Exercises 12**
Matching exercises (vocabulary)
Text listening: “A minha profissão”
True or false exercises
Asking questions (work in pairs)
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 7)*

**Week 4**
**Class: 4.1**

**Language and Communication 13**
Professional routines

**Grammar 13**
Infinitive tense
Personal pronouns
Synonyms
Pronunciation and intonation

**Exercises 13**
Text reading and comprehension “Um dia de um Tradutor”
Explaining the meaning of expressions in a text
Matching exercises (vocabulary)
Pronunciation and intonation exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 7)*

Class: 4.2

**Language and Communication 14**
At school and at university

**Grammar 14**
Periphrastic expression (Haver de + Infinitive, ter de + Infinitive))
Vocabulary
Word formation: -ão

**Exercises 14**
Text reading and comprehension “Na escola...”
Text listening and fill-in-the blanks “Experiência Erasmus...”
True or false exercises
Rewriting notes and messages (infinitive-past participle)

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 8)*

**Week 5**
Class: 5.1

**Language and Communication 15**
Work interview
Professions

**Grammar 15**
Present perfect tense of verbs

**Exercises 15**
Giving opinion
Text listening “Entrevista de emprego”
True or false exercises
Fill-in-the gaps exercises
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 9)

Homework:
Writing a work interview (pairs homework for oral presentation)

Class: 5.2

Language and Communication 16
Work interviews

Grammar 16
Present perfect tense

Exercises 16
Fill-in-the gaps exercises
Role play: presenting a work interview
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 9)

Homework:
Writing sentences with present perfect tense
Fill-in-the gaps vocabulary exercise (worksheet handed by the instructor)

Class: 5.3

Language and Communication 17
Traveling by car

Grammar 17
Diminutives
Expression cheio de

Exercises 17
Matching exercises
Text reading and comprehension: “Quantos países se pode visitar em apenas um dia?”
Text listening
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 10)

Homework:
Composition: a car trip.

Class: 5.4

Language and Communication 18
Traveling

Grammar 18
Verbs dar and ficar with prepositions
Present perfect tense
Exercises 18
Text listening
Rewrite sentences
(Passaporte para Portuês B1 Coursebook, Unit 10)

Homework:
Preparing a Lisbon touristic guide (group homework)

Week 6
Class: 6.1

Language and Communication 19
Grammar 19
Revising of contents
Exercises 19
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
Matching exercises
Talking about the themes given in class

Class: 6.2

Midterm test

Class: 6.3

Language and Communication 21
Vacations at the beach
Grammar 21
Past perfect
Exercises 21
Matching exercises
Text listening: The sun is hot today!
Multiple choice exercises
Text reading: “Jonas needs to rest”
(Passaporte para Portuês B1 Coursebook, Unit 11)

Class: 6.4

Language and Communication 22
Vacations at the beach
Grammar 22
Past perfect
Exercises 22
Text composition: paragraphs
Explaining vocabulary
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
Pronunciation of letters

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 11)

Week 7

Class: 7.1

Language and Communication 23

Lisbon scents

Grammar 23

Past perfect
Direct pronouns

Exercises 23
Text reading and comprehension: “O passeio pelos cheiros de Lisboa”
Explaining the meaning of sentences and expressions in the text
Answering questions about the text
Talking about the scents and colours of Lisbon

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 12)

Homework:
Sentences writing: hometown scents (pairs homework)

Class: 7.2

Language and Communication 24

Lisbon sounds

Grammar 24
Expressions of cause
Direct pronouns place with past perfect
Present Perfect

Exercises 24
Teck reading and comprehension “Os sons de Lisboa”
Talking about the sounds of Lisbon
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 12)

Class: 7.3

Language and Communication 25

Lisbon in the future
Projects

Grammar 25
**Future of Indicative**

**Exercises 25**
Describing images of important projects in the world
Completing sentences
Fill-in-the-gaps exercises with future
Listening and practicing the pronunciation
Discussing about a given subject

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 13)*

**Class:** 7.4

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**Language and Communication 26**

Cultural and historical topics
Traditions and legends about Lisbon

**Grammar 26**

Word formation: -eza
Nouns, adjectives

**Exercises 26**

Text reading and comprehension “Terá Lisboa, de facto, sete Colinas?”
Explaining the meaning of sentences and expressions in a text
Answering questions about a text
Explaining vocabulary

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 14)*

**Homework:**

Synonyms exercise (worksheet handed by the instructor)

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**Week 8**

**Class:** 8.1

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**Language and Communication 27**

Press texts
Cultural and historical topics

**Grammar 27**

Past participle
Passive Voice

**Exercises 27**

Text reading and comprehension “Quando foi inventada a roda?”

Fill-in-the-blanks text
True or false exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 15)*
Homework:
Rewriting sentences using passive voice.

Class: 8.2

**Language and Communication 28**
Press texts
News

**Grammar 28**
Passive voice with “estar”
Past participle

**Exercises 28**
Listening news “Um crime em Sintra”
Reading and comprehension text
Answering questions
Discussing and giving opinion
Fill-in-the gaps exercises with passive voice

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 16)*

Class: 8.3

**Language and Communication 29**
Press texts
News

**Grammar 29**
Passive voice
Expressions of time: quando e enquanto
Word formation: -ista
Conjunctions: e, mas, por cause de, como, porque, já que, devido a, uma vez que

**Exercises 29**
Listening news “Um crime em Sintra”
Reading and comprehension text
Answering questions
Discussing and giving opinion
Fill-in-the gaps exercises with passive voice
Writing about an event (e.g. trip, news) (homework)

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 16)*

Homework:
Composition: writing about an event (e.g. trip, news)
Language and Communication 30
Press texts
News

Grammar 30
Passive voice
Conjunctions: logo que, mal, assim que

Exercises 30
Text reading and comprehension “O farol de La jument”
Explaining the meaning of sentences and expressions in a text
Answering questions about a text
Preparing a session of daily tv news (in pairs)
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 17)

Week 9
Class: 9.1

Language and Communication 31
Press texts

Grammar 31
Future and conditional structures

Exercises 31
Oral presentation: presenting a session of daily tv news (in pairs)
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 17)

Homework:
Rewriting sentences

Class: 9.2

Language and Communication 32
Animal species

Grammar 32
Passive voice
Relative pronouns - cujo, qual

Exercises 32
Reading and comprehension text “O café dos gatos”
Discussing and giving opinion
Replacing sentences using passive voice
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 19)
Homework:
Researching information about threatened and endangered animal species (homework for oral presentation)

Class: 9.3

**Language and Communication 33**
Endangered species

**Grammar 33**
Gerundive sentences
Relative pronouns
Vocabulary
Word formation: des-

**Exercises 33**
Oral presentation: presenting to the class information about one animal threatened or endangered
*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 20)*

Homework:
Composition: Writing an opinion text on the environment

Class: 9.4

**Language and Communication 34**
Cultural and historical topics
Traditions

**Grammar 34**
Matching exercises about idiomatic expressions
General practice

**Exercises 34**
Oral presentation (conclusion)

Homework:
Research about a Portuguese tradition or tale.

**Week 10**
Class: 10.1

**Language and Communication 35**
Cultural and historical topics
Arts
Formal letters

**Grammar 35**
Conditional sentences

**Exercises 35**
Listening, reading and comprehension text “Esta pintura é de quem?”
Explaining the sense of idiomatic expressions
Rewriting sentences
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
Giving opinion text about favourite museums and artists.

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 21)

Homework:
Writing a formal letter.

Class: 10.2

Language and Communication 36
Cultural topics

Grammar 36
Lexical relations
Direct and indirect speech

Exercises 36
Text reading and comprehension
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
Completing work group

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 23)

Journal due.

Homework:
Rewriting sentences using different tenses in direct speech

Week 11
Class: 11.1

Language and Communication 38
Health system

Grammar 37
General practice of direct vs indirect speech

Exercises 37
Discussing about: health system in Portugal
Fill-in-the-blanks exercises

(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 25)

Class: 11.2

Language and Communication 38
Cultural topics: Portuguese cinema, music

Grammar 38
Direct speech
Word formation
Revision of contents

**Exercises 38**

- Listening to music and fill-in-the-blanks
- Text reading and comprehension “critica de um filme”
- Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
- Matching exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 24)*

**Homework:**
Rewriting sentences.

Class:  11.3  .

**Language and Communication 39**

- Cultural topics: habits
- Sports

**Grammar 39**

- Cultural topics: habits
- Sports

**Exercises 39**

- Analyzing and organizing information to comment on specific film, book or music (work in pairs)
- Reading an comprehension text “Isso dá azar”
- Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
- Multiple choice exercises

*(Passaporte para Português B1 Coursebook, Unit 28)*

**Week 12**

Class:  12.1  .

**Language and Communication 40**

- Travel and living in another country

**Grammar 40**

- Subjunctive structures
- Revising contents

**Exercises 40**

- Text reading and comprehension
- True or false exercises
- Rewriting exercises
- Explaining vocabulary
Class:  12.2  

**Language and Communication 41**

Cultural topics

Idiomatic expressions and proverbs

**Grammar 41**

Subjunctive structures

Revising contents

**Exercises 41**

Listening to a text and fill-in-the-blanks with idiomatic expressions and proverbs

Explaining vocabulary

Oral presentation: “sociedade e cultura portuguesa”

**Homework:**

Rewriting sentences.

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Class:  12.3

**Language and Communication 42**

Complain in/about a service

**Grammar 42**

Revising contents

**Exercises 42**

Text reading and comprehension “Venho apresentar queixa de”

True or false exercises

Describing situations: complaining about a service

Oral presentation: “sociedade e cultura portuguesa”

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Class:  12.4

**Conversation test** about a specific topic, given in class, to discuss in pairs.

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**Week 13**

Class:  13.1

**Language and Communication 44**

Cultural topics

**Grammar 44**

Revising contents

**Exercises 44**

Fill-in-the-blanks exercises
Rewrite sentences

Oral presentation: “sociedade e cultura portuguesa”

Class: 13.2

**Language and Communication 45**

Cultural topics

**Grammar 45**

Revising contents

**Exercises 45**

Fill-in-the-blanks exercise
Answering questions
Rewriting sentences

Class: 13.3

**Final exam** – evaluation of reading comprehension and writing, grammar and vocabulary.

Class: 13.4

Talk about the experience of living in Portugal
Course evaluation.
Wrap-up.

**Course Materials**

**Readings**


