



August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024

ASC Curriculum Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the revisions to our Portuguese Minor. We are making these changes because:

- The Portuguese minor program has not been reviewed by Portuguese Faculty members since 2015.
- The revised version includes language on the Seal of Biliteracy and new GE course-set language that better reflects College-level changes.
- Courses have been updated and withdrawn and the new revision reflects these changes.
- The changes made create more flexibility and opportunities for both students and faculty members/instructors in the program.
- Given the size of the department, SPPO is limited in how many upper-division Portuguese courses they can offer each term. As such, it has become difficult for students to find both an Advanced Language/Linguistics course and a Literatures and Cultures course that fit into their schedules in their last few semesters at the university. Combining these categories together will allow students and the department more flexibility in their scheduling.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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**Prerequisite courses**

Portuguese 1101, 1102, 1103           12 cr hrs  
or  
Portuguese for Spanish Speakers 5501, 5502    6 cr hrs

**Required courses (6 credit hours)**

Portuguese 3401 or 3402 or 3403  
Portuguese 3450

**Choose one course from each of the following categories:**

**Advanced Language and Linguistics (3 hours)**

Portuguese 3401, 3402, 3403, 4510, 4595, 4999(H), 5611

**Literatures and Cultures (3 hours)**

Portuguese 4550, 4560, 4561, 4595, 4999(H), 5510, 5520, 5530, 5650

**With approval of the Department, the following courses may also count toward Minor requirements:**

Portuguese 3570, 4193, 4194, 5797

**Portuguese minor program guidelines**

The following guidelines govern this minor:

Credit hours required A minimum of 12 credit hours. 1000-level courses shall not count in the minor.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed

A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination toward the minor.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

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- Minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA for all minor course work.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
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X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval The minor course work must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school advisor if the student's degree audit report is not showing complete (green).

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by the Spanish Minor Advisor.

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# Current Minor Program Showing Tracked Changes

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**Language Prerequisites (0-3 courses, 0-12 CH)**  
To complete the required minor coursework at the 3000 level and above (see required courses below), students must first demonstrate intermediate proficiency through Portuguese 1103 or 5502. This proficiency can be demonstrated by:

- The Seal of Bilingualism
- Placement testing
- Credit by examination
- Course enrollment/completion
- A combination of testing and coursework

**The beginning/intermediate course sequences for Portuguese are as follows:**

Portuguese 1101 → 1102 → 1103 (12 CH)

-OR-

Portuguese for Spanish Speakers 5501 → 5502 (6 CH)

**Required courses (2 courses, 6 CH)**

- Portuguese 3401 or 3402 or 3403
- Portuguese 3450

**Elective courses (2 courses, 6 CH)**

Choose two of the courses below, one of which must be at the 4000+ level in Advanced Portuguese Language, Literatures and Cultures, and/or Linguistics (6 CH)

- Portuguese 3401, 3402, 3403, 4510, 4550, 4560, 4561, 4595, 4606, 5191, 5510, 5520, 5530, 5611, 5650

**With approval of the Department, the following courses may also apply to Minor requirements:**

- Portuguese 4193, 4194, 4998(H), 4999(H), 5797

**Portuguese minor program guidelines**

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