Brazil

Population exceeds 190 million.
Sixth largest economy in the world.
Strong US trading partner.
South America’s leading economic power.
Culture rich in diversity.
Great Carnivale and samba!

Brazil is a young democracy trying to resolve its many race, gender, and poverty issues. After several years of military dictatorship, Brazil had its civilian president in 1985. In spite of a series of repressive regimes, Brazilians managed to create one of the most colorful cultures in the world. By remembering its heroes and by preserving its roots, Brazilians entered a new era with hope for the future. Brazilians engaged in social and political movements which led the way to creating a base where the word “change” defines the spirit of the people in every corner of the country.

Brazil is expected to be a big player in the global economy. The New York Times says “...Presidente Silva has deepened many of the social programs begun 10 years ago under Fernando Henrique Cardoso, who as president ushered in many of the structural reforms that laid the foundations of Brazil’s stable growth today.” (July, 31, 2008).

Understanding Brazil’s economic and political complexities have become crucial when considering the potential that it represents in the world today.

By studying Portuguese you can gain a better comprehension of the people of Brazil, its culture, economy and politics. Whether your major is Latin American Studies, International Relations, Political Science, History, Anthropology, Business, Art History or Communications, learning Portuguese will expand your global perspective.

The Linguistics Language Program is committed to supporting and promoting the learning of Portuguese at UCSD. With small classroom settings, personalized attention, and total language immersion, students are assured of an enjoyable and relevant language learning experience.

This course is particularly appropriate for Spanish speakers. If you wish to study Portuguese but do not already have a background in Spanish, please contact the instructor.

Portuguese courses offered by the Linguistics Language Program are:

Fall: LIPO 1A/AX (5 credits)
      LIPO 1D/DX (5 credits)
      LIPO 15 (2 credits)

Spring: LIPO 1C/CX (5 credits)
        LIPO 17 (2 credits)

Winter: LIPO 1B/BX (5 credits)
        LIPO 16 (2 credits)

Classes are for beginner and intermediate levels.
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