

# Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies (POR)

Our Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies program focuses on aspects of art, musical and literary expressions, history, social and political landscapes of the Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian world. You will also have the opportunity to connect with community and university-wide activities, lecture series, theatre and music/literary events; gain valuable research and cross-cultural skills and build your international networks by participating in faculty-led research projects and experiential education opportunities.

## Sample First Year Schedule

Your first year classes in Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies will consist of a mixture of courses within your major, general education courses and elective courses outside your major.

Course Type	Course(s)	Credits
Major Course	AP/POR 1000 - Elementary Portuguese or AP/POR 2000 - Intermediate Portuguese	6.00
Major Course	AP/POR 2600 - Luso-Brazilian Cultures and Cinemas	6.00
General Education Course	Any approved 1000 level course from the Humanities or Social Sciences	6.00 or 9.00
General Education Course	Any approved course from the Natural Sciences	6.00
Course Outside Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies	Any course that is not a Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies or general education course	3.00 or 6.00
Total		30.00 (maximum)

## Program Overview

As a student in the program, you will focus not only on Portugal, but on the entire Lusophone world across all continents. Our course offerings will teach you about a world with a diversity of cultures, rich histories and fascinating social and political landscapes.

Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies is also available to be taken as a minor. Some major popular programs to pair with as a minor include History, Geography, Film and Theatre.

## Study Abroad

You will also have the opportunity to enhance your studies and add to your university experience by participating in exchange and summer internships programs with universities in a Portuguese-speaking country.

## The York Promise

York is here to support you throughout your unique university journey. Beyond academic achievement, we strive to enrich your student experience through personal and professional development by offering:

- **Career-Focused Services**

Career advising, career fairs and networking opportunities to help sharpen your professional edge.

- **Academic Support**

Learning skills workshops, outstanding libraries, academic accommodations, transition programs and academic advising services designed to help you every step of the way.

- **Social & Leadership Development Programs**

A vibrant social scene with more than 300 clubs and organizations to enhance student life, and help you develop soft skills you can bring to the table in your future career.



**Rachel Chaves**  
Fourth Year Student  
Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies

"What I've enjoyed most about being a part of the Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian studies program is how helpful the knowledge I've learned has been while travelling abroad. I have a better understanding of my culture and a deeper understanding of Portugal as a nation."

# Your Degree Pathway

A degree in Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies requires the completion of 90 Credits for a Bachelor's Degree and is typically completed over three academic years. Your courses will consist of Major, General Education, and Elective Courses.

## First Year

First year will introduce you to the university environment, provide you with general education courses, and allow options for you to study courses aligned with your own interests.



**Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies Courses:** Elementary Portuguese, Intermediate Portuguese, Luso-Brazilian Cultures and Cinemas

**General Education Courses:** Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

**Elective Courses:** Your choice of courses outside of Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies

## Second Year

In your second year, you will continue your development of the fundamentals in Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies.



**Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies Courses:** Aspects of Contemporary Portugal: Culture and Cinema, The Culture and Literature of the Azores. Cannibal Brazil: Cultural Encounters in Literature and Film

**General Education Courses:** Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

**Elective Courses:** Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

## Third Year

Your third year in Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies will allow you to explore specific interests in the field.



**Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Course Options:** Advanced Portuguese, Heroes, Marvels, Monsters & Beauties in Portuguese Literature, Language in Context: Portuguese in the GTA, Mapping Brazilian Identity Through Fiction: History, Race and Gender

**Elective Courses:** Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections



**Maria Joao Dodman**  
Professor  
Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian  
Studies

"With Portuguese and Luso-Brazilian Studies, you will have the opportunity to learn language from the beginner to an advanced level. You will also discover the rich and varied cultures that compose the Lusophone world through a wide range of interdisciplinary approaches that include, among others, literature, music, cinema and history."



## Your Degree!