PORTUGUESE STUDIES AND THE INSTITUTE FOR PORTUGUESE AND LUSOPHONE WORLD STUDIES (IPLWS) AT RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

RIC’s Portuguese Studies Program and IPLWS are unique in Rhode Island.
RIC’s small classes with an average student-to-faculty ratio of 14:1 foster close interaction between students and faculty.
Modern Languages faculty and IPLWS community partners create an innovative, engaging and experiential learning environment.
RIC graduate students are practicing professionals with a wide variety of experience.

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Countries in which Portuguese is spoken
PORTUGUESE STUDIES PROGRAM MODERN LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

The Portuguese Studies Program at Rhode Island College takes students from Portuguese language beginner to advanced levels of proficiency with an in-depth knowledge of global Portuguese-speaking cultures. Small class size, dedicated faculty focused on student success, experiential learning and worldwide community partnerships are unique to our program.

Academic Degrees

• Modern Languages Bachelor of Arts (B.A.),
  ❯ Concentration in Portuguese
  ❯ Concentration in Latin-American Studies

• Portuguese Minor

• World Languages Education - Portuguese (B.A.)
  This degree is offered in conjunction with the Feinstein School of Education and Human Development and includes PreK-K 12 Rhode Island Teacher Certification.

• World Languages Education Master of Arts in Teaching - Portuguese (M.A.T)
  This degree is offered in conjunction with the Feinstein School of Education and Human Development and includes PreK-K 12 Rhode Island Teacher Certification.

Interdisciplinary Programs

The following programs are offered with required/elective credits in Portuguese:

• International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOS) Certificate and Minor
  Political Science Department

• Global Studies Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Minor
  History Department

INSTITUTE FOR PORTUGUESE AND LUSOPHONE WORLD STUDIES (IPLWS)

Since 2006 IPLWS has worked to support and enrich the Portuguese Studies Program at Rhode Island College, engage the Lusophone community and undertake research projects.

What do we do?

• Administer scholarship programs.

• Support study abroad opportunities.

• Conduct professional development workshops for teachers.

• Offer internships and much more.

Supporting the Portuguese Academic Program

• Prémio em Estudos Portugueses
  Prize in Portuguese Studies awarded to outstanding graduating major in Portuguese

• John A. and Mary V. Lima Scholarship in Portuguese Studies
  Awarded over $30,000 to RIC students of Portuguese since 2010

• Lema Fernandes Study Abroad Scholarship Fund
  Supports field study, summer and semester sessions in Portugal

• Invited speakers, conferences, cultural events, research opportunities and mentorship/internships for RIC students who study Portuguese at Rhode Island College

Academic Honors and Opportunities in the Portuguese Studies Program

• RIC Sigma Chapter of Phi Lambda Beta National Portuguese Honor Society
  The society honors achievement in the field of Portuguese language studies and Portuguese, Brazilian and African Lusophone cultures and literatures and their diaspora

Engaging in Community Outreach

• Professional development workshops for teachers of Portuguese

• Annual Lusophone calendar art contest for grades K-12

• Partnership with 40th Day of Portugal celebration

• Partnership with Cabo Verdean Culture Day at Rhode Island College

• Special guests welcomed from Lusophone countries, including Portugal, Cabo Verde and Timor-Leste

• Adult enrichment programs, including genealogy workshops and “Survival Skills in Portuguese for Beginners” (non-credit course)

• IPLWS Community Advisory Board

Pursuing Scholarly Research

• Luso-American Elected Officials in Rhode Island Project

• Peace Radio in Guinea Bissau

• Generations Integration Project

RIC Portuguese Language Club

• Study abroad and receive credit toward a degree in Portuguese

• Complete an internship and receive credit toward a degree in Portuguese

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