Program Requirements

The Brazilian Studies Certificate requires 18-20 credit hours of Portuguese language and elective culture content coursework, of which 12 credit hours must be upper-division. A grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or better is required in all coursework. Students choose one two-course language sequence for a total of 6-8 credit hours of Portuguese language. Course substitutions may be permitted for heritage speakers of Portuguese based on their proficiency level as determined by a Portuguese placement test. The language course substitution for advanced speakers of Spanish language can be satisfied by the two-course POR 320 and POR 321 sequence.

Portuguese Language -- 6 credit hours

Choose one two-course sequence for 6-8 credit hours. The upper-division two-course language sequence is 6 credit hours total.

POR 101: Elementary Portuguese I (G) AND POR 102: Elementary Portuguese II (G) (8)
POR 201: Intermediate Portuguese I (G) AND POR 202: Intermediate Portuguese II (G) (8)
POR 313: Portuguese Conversation and Culture (G) AND POR 314: Portuguese Composition and Culture (G) (6)

Notes: POR 313 and POR 314 may be applied to either Portuguese Language or to Upper-Division Electives but may not be applied and counted in both categories for this certificate.

POR 320: Portuguese for Spanish Speakers I AND POR 321: Portuguese for Spanish Speakers II (6)

Upper-Division Electives -- 12 credit hours

GCU 323: Geography of Latin America (SB & G) (3)
GCU 485 / PUP 485: International Field Studies (G) (3)
POR 313: Portuguese Conversation and Culture (G) (3)
POR 314: Portuguese Composition and Culture (G) (3)
POR 394: Special Topics (3)
POR 472: Luso-Brazilian Civilization (HU & G) (3)
POR 484: Internship (3)
POR 493: Honors Thesis (L) (3)
POR 494: Special Topics (3)
POR 499: Individualized Instruction (3)

*Other courses may be used with approval from the faculty coordinator and academic advisor in the School of International Letters and Cultures.

Depending on a student's undergraduate program of study, prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this certificate.