

Cover Sheet: Request 10671

change to Portuguese major

Info

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Description	Request to change the minimum course level that counts towards the degree (from 3240 to 3224).

Actions

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Responses

Major Name

Enter the name of the major. Example: "Mathematical Modeling"

Response:
Portuguese

Major Code

Enter the two-letter or three-letter major code.

Response:
POR

Degree Program Name

Enter the name of the degree program in which the major is offered.

Response:
Portuguese

Effective Term

Enter the term (semester and year) that the curriculum change would be effective.

Response:
Earliest Available

Effective Year

Response:
Earliest Available

Proposed Changes

Describe the proposed changes to the curriculum.

Response:
New wording would allow students to receive major credit for POR3224 (1 credit rotating topics course), which we are now offering regularly.

Pedagogical Rationale/Justification

Describe the rationale for the proposed changes to the curriculum.

Response:

When the major was originally developed, these courses were not offered regularly in Portuguese, and were thus not included in the minimum coursework level. We now offer one each term, and students are eager to have them count towards their degrees. The change also brings the POR major in line with the Spanish major, where SPN3224 does count.

Impact on Enrollment, Retention, Graduation

Describe any potential impact of the curriculum changes on students who are currently in the major.

Response:

We currently make individual exceptions (noted in the degree audit) for students who have taken these courses, so we anticipate no impact except streamlining the process. Also, the instructors of these courses believe they could attract greater enrollment if the credits were automatically counted toward the major.

Coursework for the Major

The major consists of 30 credits of coursework normally achieved with ten upper-division courses (~~3240/3224 or -level courses or~~ above), four of which must be at the 4000 level. Students must earn a minimum grade of C for coursework to count toward the major. A minimum of four 4000-level courses must be completed at UF for the major residency requirement.

Foundation coursework required to prepare the student for 3000/4000-level depends on the student's background in Portuguese. For true beginners, POR 1130/1131 or POR 3010 are typically taken to prepare for the required major coursework.

- POR 3010 Introduction to Portuguese and Brazil is an accelerated course. It fulfills the foreign language requirement but it does **not** count as a 3000-level course for the major requirements.

Required Coursework

- ~~Ten 30 credits at the POR / POW / PRT~~ 3000/4000-level ~~POR / POW / PRT~~ courses, with ~~four twelve courses-credits~~ at the 4000 level
- Students who transfer credits toward the Portuguese major will be expected to take at least four 4000-level courses at UF.
- ~~POR 3010 Introduction to Portuguese and Brazil is an accelerated course. It fulfills the foreign language requirement but it does not count as a 3000-level course for the major requirements.~~
- Students can choose from listings under POR in language and civilization beyond POR 3010, POW in literature and culture, and PRT (Portuguese/Brazilian literature in translation). Two independent-study courses (4905) may be accepted as part of the major's requirements. Select courses outside the department may also count toward the major under special conditions.