



- Learn about Brazilian language and culture
- Interactive classes
- 4 levels of proficiency
- Application deadline: October, 30th

PUC-Rio

INTENSIVE PORTUGUESE PROGRAM ON-LINE

2021

January/February

Dear All,

Warm greetings from PUC-Rio!

Thank you for your message and I hope everything is going well with you and your family!

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that we would be delighted to welcome your students who wish to come to PUC-Rio next academic semesters to follow our Intensive Portuguese as a second Language that held every January or July and or to attend the regular semester on March to July.

This January The Pre-Term Portuguese Intensive Course will be held online from January 13th to February 10th. See detail below and folder attached.

Study Portuguese with PUC-Rio in January/February 2021 - online

Students will have the opportunity to enroll in our intensive Portuguese on-line course and be prepared to learn about Brazilian language and culture. They will take part in interactive classes which will prepare them to engage in an exchange program in the best private university in Brazil. Using synchronous classes on Zoom and asynchronous classes on Moodle, our team of expert professors is prepared and excited to have you!

Our courses are composed of 90 class/hours (a class/hour is a session of 50 minutes), divided in 60 synchronous class/hours, and 30 asynchronous class/hours. There are four levels of proficiency.

Course structure and dates:

- 20 class days
- Starts: 13 January (Wednesday)
- Ends: 10 February (Thursday)

(Holiday on 20 January)

Class schedule: from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm (Brazilian Time)

1st class: from 2:00 to 2:50

2nd class: from 2:50 to 3:40

Break: from 3:40 to 4:10

3rd class: from 4:10 to 5:00

PROFICIENCY PLACEMENT TEST:

WRITTEN TEST: DEADLINE 08 JANUARY

ORAL TEST: 11 JANUARY - ZOOM (MONDAY – to be scheduled individually)

FINAL RESULT: 12 JANUARY

Important: A minimum number of ten students is required for classes to be confirmed.

VISA: A student visa is not required for the Intensive Pre-term course online only.

ATTENTION: if the student intends to come to Brazil and take classes in the following regular semester (March - July 2021), a student visa is **MANDATORY**.

PRICES: Exchange and independent students pay the same price for the Pre-term Intensive Portuguese Course. **Follow this link for more**

information: <http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/fees_tuition.html>

Application link: Deadline: October 31st.

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/forms-hp_students.html

If you have any doubts, please, send an e-mail to:

incoming@puc-rio.br or to incoming1@puc-rio.br

Regular semester: March to July, 2021

Concerning the Spring semester (March to July), we are planning to have classes on campus, following all the sanitary guidelines to assure the safety of our entire community (student body, faculty and staff). However, we are not positively sure that presential classes will resume in March. Given these uncertain times, as far as we know, classes may take place on campus, may be in a hybrid format (on campus and remote) and remote only. We are still waiting for the directions given by the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education to announce our final decision. Because of all that, we recommend that all students do not buy flights or book accommodation until further notice. We hope that the situation will improve and we will be ready to welcome international students into our beautiful campus, greeting all with an orientation week full of integrative activities.

Application: Deadline October 31st.

The on-line application for the incoming students for the Brazilian first Semester of 2021 (semester or whole academic year) are open and will finish on October 31th 2020 (deadline).

Website: http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/forms-hp_students.html

Please feel free to share my contact information directly with your exchange nominees. I remain their point of contact prior to, during and after their time abroad.

Important videos and link to you share with your students.

PUC-Rio celebrating 80's year anniversary!!! – video of our campus.

<https://youtu.be/RUBtkKdWVzc>

Video: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/0w34t1v0pm7kbpm/Video.avi?dl=0>

PUC-Rio's Presentation:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/3tul0epququ3yd/PUC-RIO%20presentation%202019.pptx?dl=0>

Double degree Students: video with Procedures

http://midia.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/videos/video_ccci_dupla_diplomacao.mp4

Business Department:

<https://youtu.be/t7YVRZYXO9k>

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/3tul0epqupqu3yd/PUC-RIO%20presentation%202019.pptx?dl=0>

Living in Rio: http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/living_rio.html

International Students' Testimonials & Videos

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/testimonials.html>

Videos: About Rio, PUC-Rio and student's life.

Click on:

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/testimonials.html>

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/living_rio.html

<http://visit.rio/en/o-que-fazer/sports/>

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/#> -Click on Partners + click on Welcome to PUC-Rio Video.

Living cost: <https://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/in/Rio-De-Janeiro>

Special activities for international students

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/special_activities.html

Buddy System "Brother Carioca" - to integrate international students and PUC-Rio students.

http://midia.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/videos/video_ccci_brothercarioca.mp4

PUC-Rio Information Sheet:

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/download/incoming_pucRio_information_sheet.pdf

Academic centers:

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/centers_courses.html

All this information is also available on our welcome page, accessing the link:

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/>

International Calendar: <http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/calendar/index.html>

General information:

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/>

Admission Procedures/Nomination guide:

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/download/PUCRio_procedures.pdf

International Calendar: <http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/calendar/index.html>

Welcome to PUC-Rio Video: <http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/>

Please, click on [Partners +](#)

Regarding your student's nomination:

I will be pleased to receive your students interested in coming to PUC-Rio to study with us.

Please fill the attach file with your student's information. It is mandatory.

Deadline: to send the student's documents is **May 25th**, for the **Pre-Term Intensive Course** in (Jul/August) and/or for the regular term (August to December).

International students should access our webpage bellow and fill out the **mandatory application** online and send the required documents until **May15th**

Website: http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/forms-hp_students.html

Documents: Please send the documents in a single scanned file with the students name as a title/subject to **the** e-mail **incoming1@puc-rio.br**

Partners Universities are responsible to send us the documents scanned. We do not accept scanned documents sent by the students.

- Official Transcript,
- 01 photo
- International Office nomination letter
- A copy of students passport (main page) **MANDATORY**
- Personal Statement (introduce yourself and why you would like to study at PUC-Rio).
- **Copy of health insurance with company name and policy number and validation to Brazil. It is extremely important that our partner's universities send us the Health Insurance Copy covering hospitals in Brazil. Otherwise in case students need surgery or special treatment the expenses will be paid by the home university.**
- yellow fever vaccine: As we know that students while are in Brazil travel a lot, we strongly recommend students take the yellow fever vaccine. The vaccine is applied ten days before the student trip. Send us the certificate of the vaccine too.
- A wire transfer sent to *Faculdades Católicas* referring to the participation on **the Pre-Term Portuguese as a Second Language Intensive course online (if it is the case).**
- A wire transfer sent to *Faculdades Católicas* referring to the **administrative cost payment**. This payment can be done as soon as student arrive in Rio.
- **Administrative cost:** Access to http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/fees_tuition.html to get more information about the cost, fees and wire transfer details. This payment can be done as soon as student arrive in Rio.

This cost includes: airport pick-up (if the student arrives at The official day), assistance at the Federal Police (Immigration) registration, welcome lunch, tourist/cultural activities, city tour of Rio de Janeiro, field trip,

medical assistance on campus, the university ID card, 24/7 assistance, and a farewell cocktail with live Brazilian music. An administrative cost will be charged prior to arrival, during the application online

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/fees_tuition.html

Graduate students:

For graduate students or internship/research students, it is necessary the prior approval of the PUC-Rio professor in the student's study area before acceptance. We suggest you or the student to **contact the Department directly** to check the possibilities to do the research with one of the professors in his/her area. The professor will inform students which discipline he or she should or not register for the 2020-1 semester

Please, copy me in all e-mails sent to professors at PUC-Rio.

Very important: students will not be able to finish their final thesis at PUC-Rio, but they will be able to do research as approved by a professor.

Internship Students:

If you have students with interest in internship or practicum at PUC-Rio, we recommend you to advise the student to contact a professor at PUC-Rio in the area of interest and ask her/him about the opportunity to participate in the Department Project as an intern. Once the internship is approved by a PUC professor, the student needs to fill out the application online as **student/internship status** (estágio), and follow all the procedures as an intern/exchange student.

According to Brazilian Federal Law, it is required a student visa to internships students.

Please send:

- 1- Students' full name, dates of arrival and departure, copy of passport and visa, Institution and course, areas of study; Curriculum Vitae.
- 2- The activity that they will develop at PUC-Rio with the professor, Project name, etc;
The professor must inform the project's name and the duration of the internship;
- 3- The student should fill out the online forms accessing our website:
<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/estconv.html>
- 4- **Copy of health insurance with company name and policy number.** As we know that students while are in Brazil travel a lot, we strongly recommend students take the yellow fever vaccine. The vaccine is applied ten days before the student trip. Send us the certificate of the vaccine too.
- 5- A wire transfer sent to Faculdades Católicas referring to the Registration fee on the internship or research Program;
- 6- Very important: students will not be able to finish their final thesis at PUC-Rio, but they will be able to make research to help them in it, since they have the accordance of the professor at PUC-Rio.

PUC-Rio Website: On our website, you will find all necessary forms for the application of your students. Also, you will find useful information, including a FAQ, housing guidelines, information concerning our deadlines, calendar, etc. **<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/estconv.html>**

Webpage in English: <http://www.puc-rio.br/english/>

Housing Services:

Due to the increasing number of applicants, this service is based on availability and a first come, first served basis.

To apply for housing, the application form must be filled out online by the student:

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/estconv.html>

Accommodation requests will be considered only after ALL admittance documents have been received and based upon availability.

The monthly rent with breakfast included is R\$ **1.900,00** (Reais) per month. If a meal option is available (lunch or dinner), the cost per month is **R\$ 2.230.00** (Reais).

Contacts For further information regarding PUC-Rio's accommodation program, please contact: Leonardo Dias, housing@puc-rio.br

Students with disability or special needs

It is important to inform, together with the nomination letter, if the student needs any special accommodations or extra time in exams. In order to guarantee the best support and adaptation to our program, we recommend partners to send us a complete description of any special needs before the student arrival.

Language requirements:

All exchange students must take a placement test in order to confirm his/her knowledge of Portuguese, on the first day of classes. Students are required to take a Portuguese as a Second Language class during the regular academic term corresponding to their level. Students also have the opportunity to take an Intensive Portuguese as a Second Language course before the regular semester begins, although this course is not mandatory.

PUC-Rio Academic System

According to PUC-Rio's deliberation, students are allowed to attend a minimum of 2 courses or a maximum of 5 courses or 24 credits including a mandatory Portuguese as a second language course during the semester. **Students cannot attend more than 24 credits.** The system will not allow it.

Credits system: 01 credit= 1 class hour/week of lecture class or 02 hours of laboratory class/week or 03 hours of exercise class/week, considered a standard term of 15 weeks.

Here at PUC, students choose the number of credits per semester that they want to register.

A minimum of credits is not required and each course is different. In general, students take 4-5 courses per semester.

For Exchange student it is different and they are allowed to take the minimum of 8 credits or 2 disciplines, ora maximum of 24 credits or 5 disciplines, including the mandatory Portuguese as a second language course. International students do not have pre-requisites to take classes.

European Students System (ECTS)

During the semester, the students need to take a total of 20 credits at PUC in order to have a total of 30 ECTS credits according to the equivalency between Brazilian and European credits.

<http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/portuguese.html>

Courses taught in English

The courses taught in English have an undergraduate content based on Brazilian and Latin American aspects, such as: **Culture, Literature, Business, Design, Civilization and History, among others. Disciplines in English are not necessarily offered every semester. These courses are subject to academic planning.** Along with the courses in English, international students must attend Portuguese as a Second Language class during their academic semester, as well as any other courses in Portuguese recommended by the coordinator. No English

level is required to attend the courses taught in English. Although it is recommendable, an intermediate level (B1) or upper proficiency.

http://www.puc-rio.br/ensinopesq/ccci/incoming/study_english_puc.html

Thank you again for being a valued exchange partner to PUC-Rio and I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Best Regards,

Linda Cristina Sousa