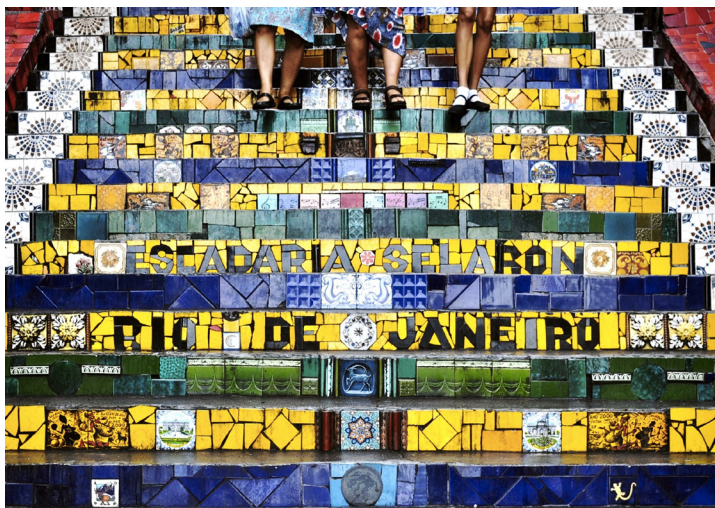


Rio de Janeiro

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SUMMER PORTUGUESE PROGRAM IN BRAZIL



Activities

Course-related field trips, guest lectures, and cultural activities are organized to provide opportunities for students to strengthen their language skills and deepen their understanding of Brazilian language, history, and culture. Activities have included cooking Brazilian cuisine, visiting Casa Rui Barbosa and Corcovado.

Housing

Students share furnished apartments with other Columbia in Rio participants. All apartments are within commuting distance of the PUC-Rio campus.



Academic Program

The six-week summer program offers intensive training in intermediate Portuguese for motivated undergraduate and graduate students who have completed the equivalent of one year of Portuguese. The program is based at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio), a wooded campus located in the Gávea district of Rio. Courses are taught by the PUC-Rio language instructors and faculty from Columbia.

As part of the language program, all students will participate in a Community Involvement Project in which they will engage with the local Carioca community through Samba, Capoeira or volunteer work.

Students enroll in:

Comprehensive Intermediate Portuguese (6 points)

This course will foster intensive practice in reading and composition based on short literary and journalistic texts. Discussions will focus on contemporary issues based on articles from Lusophone newspapers and magazines. Students will review grammar, expand their vocabulary and improve oral expression, writing, and reading skills. Students will be also exposed to audio-visual material that will deepen their understanding of Lusophone societies and culture.

