

COURSE NO: THMO-131

TITLE: FOREIGN LANGUAGE (PORTUGUESE I)

TOTAL CONTACT HOURS:

(30 HOURS)

Objectives and Contents of the Course: At the end of this course students will have gained knowledge of:

- The basic lexical and grammatical structures and their uses in written and oral communication in addition they will have gained experience:
 1. Reading for information using material of appropriate complexity and length
 2. Listening for information
 3. Developing study skills using audio and video aids

Syllabus:

- Pronunciation : Alphabet, explanation of Portuguese pronunciation going into all the nuances and varying sounds involved (Vowels, consonants and nasal sounds)
- Introduction to the basic rules of sentences structure.
- Articles, Nouns, gender and plural endings of nouns.
- Pronouns, personal pronouns/subject pronouns.
- Adjectives, agreement of adjectives with nouns/ plural of adjectives.
- Negative and interrogative forms.
- Verbs, paradigm of three regular conjugations/ irregular verbs, present tense and past definite , imperative
- Introduction to the use of prepositions.
- Vocabulary : acquisition of day to day practical vocabulary concerning social life, transportation and nature
- Reading and conversation skills.

Note: The acquisition of these grammar skills will depend on simple and practical examples followed by intense experimental self testing.

Work Requirements

Weekly aural, oral and written exercises, once a week the Language Laboratory facilities will be used.

Recommended Reading List:

1. Anna Tavares (Coord by Renato Borges de Sousa), edited by LIDEL ,Lisbao- *"Portugal.Portugues XXI Nivel 1 (Book and CD) "*.
2. Ana Tavares, edited by LIDEL, *"Lisboa Portugal Portugues XXI Nivel 1- Caderno de Exercicios (Livro Segundo o novo AcordoOrtagrafico) "*
3. Maria Fernanda Allen, *"Hugo's Language Books Portuguese in three months"*.
4. Alexander da R Prista, *"Essential Portuguese Grammar"*, New York, Dover Publications.
5. DeolindaMonteiro&B.Pessoa *"GuiaPratico Dos Verbos Portuguese"*.
6. *The New Michaelis Dictionary (English Portuguese/ Portuguese English)*, Melhoramentos , Sao Paulo.

Note: Other suitable books and materials will be recommended at the beginning of the course.

