

# UMass Annual Summer Program in Portuguese uses immersion in Portuguese Culture to learn the language



*UMass Dartmouth, July 8 – August 6, 2014*

The Center for Portuguese Studies and Culture, in partnership with the departments of Portuguese and History, announces the 21st Annual Summer Program in Portuguese at UMass Dartmouth, July 8 – August 6, 2014. Situated in the heart of North America's oldest and largest Portuguese-speaking community, our program provides a unique cultural environment for learning Portuguese in a richly varied natural immersion setting.

For many years, the Summer Program in Portuguese has provided an excellent opportunity for students at all levels to improve their linguistic proficiency, while learning more about the Lusophone world, comprised of over 240 million people in eight countries on four continents and global diasporas. Intensive courses in beginning and intermediate Portuguese are supplemented with two online only courses: "The Art of Portugal" and "Brazil: History and Culture."

The cultural activities of the Summer Program include lectures by scholars in Luso-Afro-Brazilian studies, movie showings,

concerts, a fado workshop event with international fado singers, capoeira and Brazilian folk dance classes, outings to traditional festivals, Brazilian, Cape Verdean and Portuguese restaurants, and other local points of interest. The program's high-quality, multifaceted educational experience is made more affordable through the availability of partial scholarships. Over the years, the program has been generously sponsored by the Luso-American Foundation. The deadline for submitting scholarship applications is May 10, 2014. Scholarship applications may be considered after these dates, depending on the availability of funds. On-campus housing is available.

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