Objectives and Contents of the course: At the end of the course students will gain knowledge of:

- The basic lexical and grammatical structures and their uses in written and oral communication, in addition they will have gained experience in:
  1. Reading for information using material of appropriate complexity and length.
  2. Listening for information.
  3. Conversing and discussing, using appropriate linguistic range, on agreed topics.
  4. Writing in the target language.
  5. The systematic study of grammar.
  6. Developing study skills, using audio and video aids, group work aimed to short oral or written presentations.

Syllabus:

- Intensive reading of selected texts.
- Further knowledge of prepositions and conjunctions.
- Proverbs and useful expressions.
- Vocabulary: acquisition of practical vocabulary concerning entertainment, culture and art, communications and information technology.
- Exercises on grammar and conversation.

Note: At the end of this course, students must be able to write short, simple notes and messages relating to matters in areas of immediate need and write a very simple personal letters for example thanking someone for something. They will be also able to communicate in simple and routine task requiring a simple direct exchange of information on familiar topics and activities. They will be able to handle very short social exchanges even though they cant usually understand enough to keep the conversation going myself.

Recommended Reading List:

1. Anna Tavares (Coord by Renato Borges de Sousa), edited by LIDEL, Lisboa- “Portuguese.Portugues XXI Nivel 1 (Book and CD) “.
3. Maria Fernanda Allen, “Hugo’s Language Books Portuguese in three months”.
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.

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