

Assistant in Portuguese

The Department of Spanish and Portuguese at Middlebury College is looking for an Assistant in Portuguese for the academic year 2017-2018. This is a multi-faceted position that combines organizational and extra-curricular responsibilities with the opportunity to undertake coursework at Middlebury College. The ideal candidate would be a Master's student with native or near-native fluency in Portuguese, fluency in English, and interest in language instruction. The successful candidate will receive full tuition for one course in each semester – Fall and Spring, full room and board for the academic year, a stipend of \$12,800, student health and dental insurance (subject to the regular deductibles), and the cost of airfare to and from Middlebury College.

In the case that the candidate will be offered to teach a language or culture course, he/she will be paid an extra honorary, subject to previous discussion with the administration.

Responsibilities: The Portuguese T.A. will live in the Portuguese-language house with students who have made a commitment to speak only Portuguese and eat in the student dining halls and at the Portuguese-language table. He or she will encourage the use of Portuguese by providing a linguistic model and by organizing cultural and recreational activities that will promote the Portuguese language and Lusophone cultures. These activities could include – but are not limited to – movie & video showings, “cafezinhos”, guest lectures, theme dinners, parties, etc.

The Portuguese T.A. will assist the faculty of the Portuguese program by leading conversation sections for its intermediate/advanced course. Additionally, the T.A. might correct workbooks/quizzes, conduct exams or substitute classes during the Fall and Spring semesters for faculty away at conferences.

The Portuguese T.A. should plan to be available on campus through the end of the examination period of each semester (December 17, May 22), and we would hope he or she would stay for the Commencement ceremonies in late May 27. Candidates should electronically submit dossiers (cover letter and curriculum vitae) in English no later than April 8, 2017 to Mario Higa (mhiga@middlebury.edu). Questions regarding the position should also be sent to Paula S. Araújo (pserralhaaraujo@middlebury.edu).