

Timeline for Completion of Portuguese Masters Thesis at the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM)

First Deadline

Materials Due:

1-2 Page abstract with the following information:

- Title of thesis.
- Introductory paragraph outlining the topic of study.
- Second paragraph outlining the theoretical framework of study.
- Third paragraph outlining the conclusions student expects to reach through this study and the importance of this study for the field.
- Composition of the Masters thesis committee.

Second Deadline: January 17th, 2006

Materials Due:

I. 10-15 Page thesis proposal with the following information:

- Title of thesis.
- Introduction: thesis statement, works to be studied, theoretical framework, socio-historical context.
- Brief description of first chapter.
- Brief description of second chapter (thesis statement, work(s) to be studied, conclusion).
- Conclusion: conclusions regarding the entire study and its importance to the field.
- Bibliography.

II. ANNOTATED Bibliography composed of at least 30 CRITICAL works. These should be divided into the following areas:

- At least 5 historical works that examine the socio-historical context of the study's topic.
- At least 5 theoretical works that provide the theoretical framework for the study.
- At least 20 critical works that deal with either the general area of the study (Ex: Brazilian postmodern culture) or directly with the subject of study (Ex: the narrative of Rubem Fonseca).

Please note:

- Only academic articles will be counted for the bibliography. Should you decide to include non-academic articles, these can be added to the final bibliography.
- Please limit your use of academic articles to a maximum of 15.
- Primary works (i.e. novels, short stories, CDs [music], films, artworks) will not be accepted as part of the annotated bibliography. You should compile a SEPARATE bibliography composed entirely of primary materials.
- When annotating your bibliography, make sure to comment on how this specific work relates to your study.
- Follow MLA style when composing your bibliography.

III. Format of proposal and abstract:

- Font: Times New Roman (12 inch).
- Margins: 1 Inch margins.
- Double-spaced.
- MLA style for all bibliographical references.

Third Deadline

Materials Due:

- Introduction: 15-20 pages with: thesis statement, works to be studied, theoretical framework, socio-historical context.

Forth Deadline

Materials Due:

- First Chapter: 20-25 pages.

Fifth Deadline

Materials Due:

- Second Chapter: 20-25 pages.

Sixth Deadline

Materials Due:

- Conclusion: 15-20 pages: conclusions regarding the entire study and its importance to the field.

Seventh Deadline

Materials Due:

- Final (revised and corrected) version of Maters thesis due.

Checklist for Portuguese Masters Thesis

December 19th, 2005

- 1-2 page abstract

January 17th, 2006

- 10-15 page thesis proposal
- ANNOTATED Bibliography composed of at least 30 CRITICAL works.
- Introduction

February 15th, 2006

- First Chapter: 20-25 pages.

March 15th, 2006

- Second Chapter: 20-25 pages.

March 30th, 2006

- Conclusion: 15-20 pages: conclusions regarding the entire study and its importance to the field.

April 15th, 2006

- Final (revised and corrected) version of Masters thesis due.