

The reason why I would like to participate in the Concordia Portuguese Language Village this summer is to have the opportunity to experience another language in a fun setting. My grandfather, who graduated from Concordia College in 1959, has always told me wonderful things about the Concordia language camps and I would really like to experience it for myself. This would also be great preparation for me as I start to think about college. I would like to attend a college with high academics and a global focus and learning another language might help me reach that goal.

For my kindergarten year, I attended Adams Spanish Immersion School in St. Paul and also took Spanish Club for three years. Because I have learned Spanish in the past, I think the Portuguese language might come a bit easier.

I have been world traveling since I was three years old. My mother, who is a teacher, was a Fulbright teacher in England and it became a wonderful experience for all of us. We lived there for a year and I was able to travel all around Europe, including Madeira, Portugal. My vague memories of Portugal include seeing many beautiful flowers, the Atlantic Ocean, and the friendly Portuguese people who loved children.