



FACULTY
OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
Charles University



EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University



Welcome to Prague

With its mixture
of tradition
and modernity,
academic excellence
and internationality,
Prague will make
you feel at home.

The TOP 10 Prague attractions chosen by Exchange Students

1. INTERNATIONAL

Prague is a city hosting not only many tourists but also expats and exchange students. You can be one of them!

2. GREEN AND FULL OF PARKS

Prague is one of the world's greenest urban areas, with nearly 200 parks.

3. CULTURAL

Are you a music, cinema or art aficionado? Or would you rather just stroll around the lovely city centre? Prague has all of that!

4. AFFORDABLE

Prague ranks among the world's top 15 cities according to the quality of life survey.

5. UNIVERSITY CITY

Charles University is the largest from eight public universities in Prague. You can also meet students from 20 private and 10 international universities and colleges located here.

6. SAFE

Czechia ranks as the eighth safest country in the world to live in.

7. NIGHT LIFE

It won't be difficult to find your favourite pub in Prague. For example, there are staggering 87 pubs in Koněvova street alone!

8. HISTORICAL

Czechia is one of the countries with the most castles in Europe. Prague Castle is the largest one. Czechia is a country of architecture with 14 properties inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

9. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Prague's public transport system is one of the most efficient in the world.

10. WELL-CONNECTED

Prague is the heart of Europe. Take advantage of this convenient location and criss-cross the continent. In all directions.

The Czech Republic & What You Should Know



Location: The Czech Republic is...

- a landlocked country
- an island
- a peninsula

... bordered by Poland, Germany, Austria and Slovakia.

International cooperation:

The Czech Republic is a member of the:

- UN
- EU
- NATO

The Czech Republic became a recognized member of the International community.

Currency: The official currency is...

- Euro
- Czech Crown
- Pound

The official currency is the Czech Crown. Czechia has not become a member of the Eurozone yet.

History: The Czech Republic was founded in...

- 1918
- 1993
- 1968

Czechia was founded in 1993 after the dissolution of Czechoslovakia and a long period under a communist regime.

Language: The official language of the Czech Republic is...

- English
- Slovakian
- Czech



FRANZ KAFKA, A CZECH NOVELIST FAMOUS NOT ONLY FOR HIS NOVEL THE METAMORPHOSIS, WAS BORN IN PRAGUE.



SOFT CONTACT LENSES WERE INVENTED BY A CZECH CHEMIST.

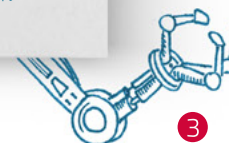


ŠKODA AUTOMOBILES



BEER HAS A SPECIAL ROLE IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC. DO YOU KNOW PILSNER URQUELL OR BUDWEISER BUDVAR?

A CZECH WORD "ROBOT"





The Tradition of Charles University (Univerzita Karlova, UK)

Charles University was founded in 1348 by the Holy Roman Emperor Charles IV as the first university to the north of the Alps and to the east of Paris.

Through your exchange programme at Charles University, you will experience studying at the oldest, largest and most prestigious university in the Czech Republic.

FIGURES:

- Around 53 000 students
- 10 000 students coming from foreign countries
- Over 150 academic programmes are taught in a foreign language, mainly in English but also in German or French
- A total of 500 bilateral agreements within the Erasmus+ programme framework
- 190 international partnership agreements with foreign universities

Today Charles University has 17 faculties in 3 different cities, 3 university institutes for educational, scientific, research, development and other activities or for provision of information services, 5 university-wide special facilities and the Rectorate as the administrative centre of the whole university.

Charles University is among the top 2 % of universities in the world and among the 100 best universities in Europe (The Academic Ranking of World Universities – the “Shanghai League”).



It was my first time in Prague and I was really happy that I was given the chance to study at Charles University and live abroad. The beauty of Prague, interesting lectures and CU's great team made my time there really memorable.

Marie, Georgia



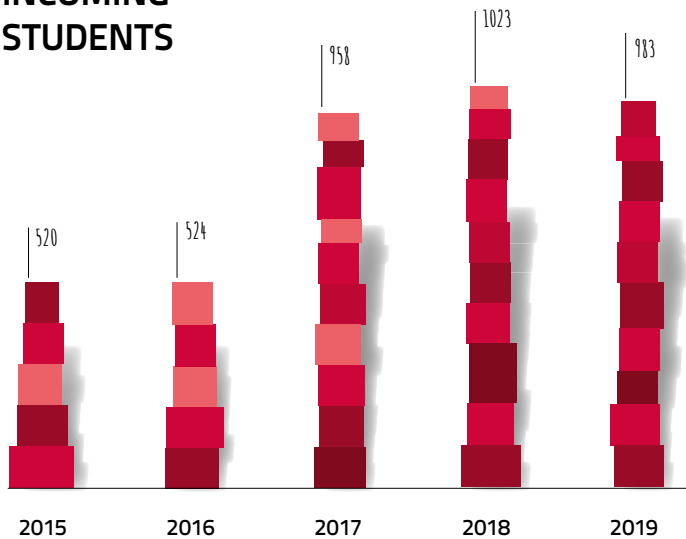
Let Us Introduce You the Faculty of Social Sciences (FSV UK)*

* Why is **FSV UK** used as an abbreviation?
In Czech our faculty is called *Fakulta sociálních věd, Univerzita Karlova*.

FSV UK...

- Is the second newest faculty at Charles University, founded in 1990
- Is a regional centre of teaching and research in **economics, sociology, political science, international relations, area studies, media studies and journalism**
- Offers all BA/MA/PhD cycles for exchange students, and **more than 30 study programs in English**
- Has one of the **highest international mobility** participation rates of all the faculties of Charles University
- **Academics are among the leading figures in the policy making, economic and social life of the region**
- **Has got more than 800 full-time international students**, attending almost **400 courses a year taught in English**

INCOMING STUDENTS



YOU MAY ENROLL IN COURSES OF THE INSTITUTE OF:

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

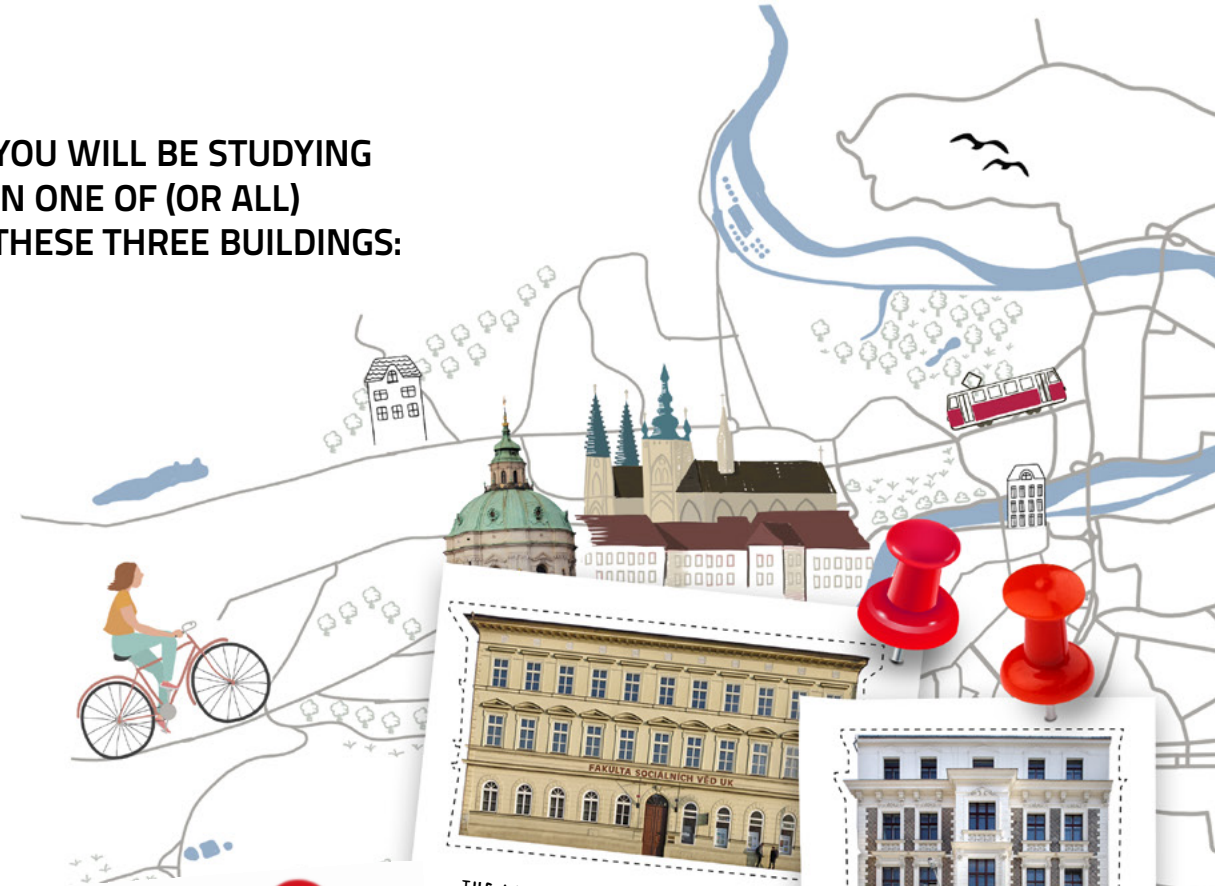
POLITICAL STUDIES

SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES

ECONOMIC STUDIES

COMMUNICATION STUDIES AND JOURNALISM

YOU WILL BE STUDYING IN ONE OF (OR ALL) THESE THREE BUILDINGS:



THE MAIN HOLLAR BUILDING IS LOCATED IN THE VERY CENTRE OF PRAGUE WITH A BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF CHARLES BRIDGE AND PRAGUE CASTLE.



OPLETALOVA BUILDING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER FROM WENCESLAS SQUARE, PRAGUE'S COMMERCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE.



JINONICE BUILDING IS A NEW MODERN BUILDING.

Academic Life at FSV UK

as an Enriching Experience for You



The course list and syllabi are available in the [Student Information System \(SIS\)](#).

51 % of the credits must be taken at FSV UK. The rest you may take at other faculties! Broaden your experience and say yes to something new!

If you change your mind about some courses, do not worry! There is an add/drop period.

There is an examination period lasting five weeks, during which there are no classes.

The Language Centre at FSV UK offers a number of Czech and other language courses at various levels, from beginners to intermediate.

Three different faculty libraries and a Hollar café are available for your study time.

FSV UK Courses Highly Ranked Among Incoming Students



International Trade, International Finance and Economics of Global Business are connected with each other and particularly internationally oriented.

Cultural Studies: This course is led by a Czech cultural anthropologist and expert who conducted research in Papua New Guinea, the Altai, the Philippines, and India.

Global Politics of Development and Environment introduces students to two subfields of International Relations: Development Studies and Global Environmental Politics.

Current Issues in Game Studies: The course is not about being able to play games, but theoretically approaching them and perceiving them in their social context. You play and you learn at the same time.

Sociology of Sport: This course provides basic conceptual and heuristic tools to carry out a critical and theoretically informed research on sport-related topics.

... and many others!



*I really appreciate the range of courses that were offered. I must say that I truly found myself in the sense of what I want to study in the future since I had the freedom to choose what I like and the professors really motivated me. **Nadja, Slovenia***

*The course International Communication Management was outstanding. **Mathes, Germany***

*Dynamic courses. Students can participate a lot. **Paul, France***

*The teachers successfully managed the transition to online learning. **Isabelle, Germany***

WHAT WILL YOUR VOICE BE?

What Will Your Student Life Be Like at FSV UK?

...FULL OF ACTIVITIES, CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES, AND FUN!

YOU WILL JOIN FSV UK WELCOME WEEK!

At the beginning of each semester a series of events are organized in order to introduce you to university and social life at FSV UK. Through information meetings, city rallies, welcome parties and much more you will have the opportunity to make friends, discover what FSV UK and Prague offer and have fun.



University canteens offer low cost, full meals with a varied menu.



Housing: You can apply for accommodation at one of the several Charles University dormitories around Prague, which offer comfortable accommodation for a reasonable price.



Libraries: You will have full access to the three FSV UK specialized libraries, as well as the Charles University Central Catalogue with its printed and electronic sources.



Student life: With hundreds of night clubs, cinemas, student festivals, exhibitions, and workshops you will have unlimited options for entertainment.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CLUBS:

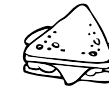
- [ESN club](#) as the oldest and biggest international club founded at Charles University (CU).
- **Student clubs** led by local Czech students.
- [CU Point](#) as your principal contact point with the university.
- [Buddy programme](#) as an amazing opportunity for you to be immersed in Czech culture with a local student!

LIVING COSTS:



Housing:

A shared bedroom at the student dormitory costs approximately 4600 CZK (175 Eur) per person/month.



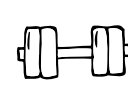
Food:

You can get a complete meal at the school canteen for 100 CZK (4 Eur).



Transportation:

A student travel card costs 130 CZK (5 Eur) monthly.



Sport: With the [CU Sport Centre Hostivař](#) or with many other sport facilities you can keep your hobbies and healthy lifestyle while in Prague. You will enjoy Prague parks with jogging and cycling paths, open air sporting facilities and much more.

WEEKEND TIPS FROM FSV UK:

[Kutná Hora](#),

famous for its silver mining in the Middle Ages



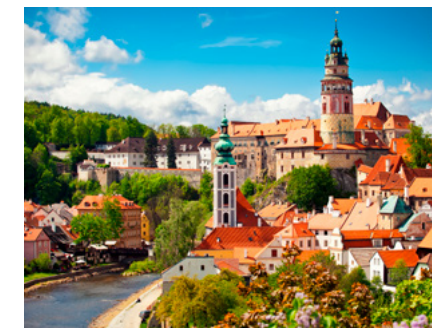
[Bohemian Switzerland](#)

National Park: woods, rock bridges and canyons



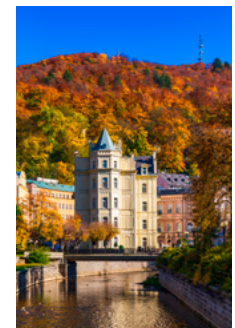
[Český Krumlov](#),

the crown jewel of Renaissance architecture in South Bohemia



[Karlovy Vary](#)

and the West Bohemia Spa triangle



I think it's very good to step out of your comfort zone a bit and try to be open to people and experiences. Tina, Slovenia

FSV UK Exchange Programmes

WHICH TYPES OF EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES ARE OFFERED?

- Erasmus+ Programmes
- Inter-university Agreements
- Inter-faculty Agreements
- MEYS (Inter-governmental) Programmes
- CEEPUS (Central European Exchange Programme for University Studies)
- DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)
- AKTION (Bilateral Cooperation with Austria)
- Freemovers
- 4EU+

Please check with your home university to find out what type of agreement they have with us.

IS THERE AN ENGLISH KNOWLEDGE REQUIREMENT?

We accept all internationally recognized language certificates (at least B2) – Cambridge FCE, CAE, CPE, TOEFL language certificate, IELTS etc. Moreover, we also accept confirmation of your language level from your home university.

Are You Interested? How Can You Apply?

As we offer many different kinds of exchange programmes, please always contact your home university international office for the nomination process details.

The [FSV International Office](#) is committed to helping exchange students before, during and after their stay at FSV UK. We will help you with the application documents, provide you with useful information and organize a series of tailored activities throughout your stay.

Exchange Programmes	Email Address
Erasmus+ 4EU+ Programmes	incoming@fsv.cuni.cz
Inter-university Agreements Inter-faculty Agreements E+ICM	exchange@fsv.cuni.cz
MEYS Agreements CEEPUS DAAD AKTION	inbound@fsv.cuni.cz
Freemovers	studyabroad@fsv.cuni.cz

“Remember there is no problem which can't be solved by the International Office.
Alexandra, Russia”

NOW YOU MAY START
PLANNING YOUR STUDY
ABROAD ADVENTURE!

Where can you find us online?

USEFUL LINKS



fsv.cuni.cz/en



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ESN CU Prague:
escuprague.cz/about-us

BASIC CZECH WORDS

English	Czech
Yes	Ano
No	Ne
Good Morning	Dobré ráno
Good Day	Dobrý den
Hello	Ahoj
Good evening	Dobrý večer
Goodbye	Na shledanou
Nice to meet you	Těší mě
How are you?	Jak se máš?
My name is	Jmenuji se
Thank you	Děkuji



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