**Degree Programs for international students in English and American Studies in the heart of Europe – the Czech Republic**

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**The Department of English and American Studies at the Faculty of Arts of Masaryk University in Brno, Czech Republic offers Bachelor’s, Master’s, and PhD programs for international students that are taught in English.**

The Department of English and American Studies at the Faculty of Arts of Masaryk University has carefully crafted its degree programs to provide an education that is structured, but that is also full of intellectual challenge. Whether students are pursuing a Bachelor’s, Master’s or doctoral degree, they take compulsory courses in the field, where they acquire the fundamental skills necessary to form a solid basis for independent research. After fulfilling these requirements, students choose from a wide range of elective courses offered by a large and diverse staff.

Elective courses enable students to develop their own focus on one of three fields of literary studies—British and Irish Literatures, North American Literatures, and the literatures of Australian and New Zealand. Students may instead choose to focus on linguistic topics ranging from functional syntax, semantics, pragmatics, stylistics, and sociolinguistics, applying methods of text linguistics, contrastive text linguistics, and discourse analysis. Cultural Studies is yet another optional focus.

**All programs offer** solid linguistic competence in English and a broad familiarity with the literature and cultural history of the UK, Ireland, the USA, Canada and/or Australia and/or a thorough knowledge of English linguistics. Throughout the process of writing the Bachelor’s thesis, Master’s thesis or Doctoral dissertation, students work closely with a personal faculty supervisor who oversees and critiques their project as it develops.

*“A recognized diploma prepares graduates for flexible career paths. Our alumni achieve success in education, translation, business, journalism, diplomacy and the arts. In cases deserving special attention, a scholarship may be given to applicants up to the level of the annual fee,” Jeffrey Vanderziel, department head, commented.*

Instructions for submitting the electronic application are available at <http://www.phil.muni.cz/wff/home/prijimaci/information-for-foreign-applicants/degree-studies-in-other-languages-admission/>

The annual tuition fees for the 2014/2015 academic year are:

Bachelor’s studies: EURO 2100, Master’s studies: EURO 2400, PhD studies: EURO 2700.

***The Department of English and American Studies at the Faculty of Arts of Masaryk University*** *is an international faculty of experts in linguistics, literature studies, cultural studies, critical theory and secondary school teaching. There is a friendly and creative working atmosphere where professors are dedicated to teaching and student clubs provide peer support and a variety of social opportunities. Classrooms and lecture halls are equipped with up-to-date technology. More information at* [*www.phil.muni.cz/angl*](http://www.phil.muni.cz/angl)

***Masaryk University****, located in Brno, is the second-largest public university in the Czech Republic and the leading higher education institution in Moravia. At present it comprises nine faculties with over 200 departments, institutes and clinics. Recognized as one of the most important teaching and research institutions in the Czech Republic and a highly-regarded Central European university, it has been infused with a strong democratic spirit since its establishment in 1919. The university also plays a major role in the social and cultural life of the region. More information at* [*www.muni.cz*](http://www.muni.cz)

***Brno*** *is located in the heart of Europe. One-fifth of the city’s residents are students, and Brno is only 100 km from Vienna and 200 km from Prague.*

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