Catalogue of higher education institutions in the Czech Republic
Welcome to the Czech Republic

The Czech Republic entered the European Union with a tradition of quality education. Czech higher education institutions are recognized and sought after for a variety of reasons: their long-standing reputations, unique conception and interesting specializations. Important criteria also include concern of concrete institutions for both Czech and foreign students. Czech higher education institutions offer a diverse range of study programmes in foreign languages and are increasingly involved in co-operation actions between higher education institutions across the world.

This brochure presents essential information about the Czech higher education system and institutions. We hope this catalogue will provide a useful guidance for foreign students who would like to come for short study visits or to complete their degree in the Czech Republic. It may also help to professionals who are looking for partner higher education institutions in the Czech Republic.

For more detailed information about studying in the Czech Republic please visit our website www.studyin.cz or contact the institution of your choice directly.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Language: Czech
Area: 78 866 sq km
Borders with: Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Austria
Population: 10.4 million
Political system: parliamentary republic since 2004
EU member state: since 2004
Currency: Czech crown / CZK
Capital: Praha (Prague)
Climate: seasonal variations (warm summers, chilly autumns and cold winters)

Average temperatures:
- January: -4 °C
- July: 24 °C

Higher education institutions: 73
Students at higher education institutions: 390 000
Foreign students at higher education institutions: 35 000
Tuition fees for programmes delivered in foreign languages: 2 000 – 15 000 USD/year
Living costs of students: 350 – 750 USD/month (incl. meals, accommodation, public transport, culture)
Official website: www.czech.cz

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Higher education system in the Czech Republic

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Higher education institutions

Higher education institutions are divided into public, state and private institutions. Public institutions are set up and closed down according to the law. State institutions are not legal entities but a part of their respective ministry. Since 2000 there are also private colleges. In order to be established, they must receive the accreditation from the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports.

Degree structure

Higher education institutions provide education at three levels:

- **Bachelor’s degree programme** (3 to 4 years) is the first cycle of higher education. It is focused on preparing students for future employment or for continuation in Master’s degree programmes. Its completion is viewed as a full higher education degree.

- **Master’s degree programme** following after a Bachelor’s degree programme (1 to 3 years) and full Master’s degree programme (4 to 6 years) are focused on theoretical knowledge, its application and on the development of creative skills; in artistic disciplines the focus is on the development of creativity and talents.

- **Doctoral degree programmes** (normally 3 years) are designed for Master’s degree holders and focused on scientific research and independent creative activities in research and development and in artistic disciplines.

Because of a growing interest, some institutions provide also study programmes leading to the degree of Master of Business Administration (MBA). This study is oriented on solving real-life case studies and should enhance managerial knowledge and skills of students.

Students can study either in attendance form, distance form, or combine both forms of study. Most public and state institutions provide all types of degree programmes, private institutions predominantly offer Bachelor’s degree programmes. The majority of students is interested in economic and humanities subjects, technical areas of study rank in third place. The range of programmes delivered in foreign languages (mainly in English) is gradually expanding in order to cater for international students.

Admission requirements

Higher education is available to all applicants with a completed secondary education (i.e. leaving exam) who successfully pass the entrance exam. The system of entrance exams is specified individually by each institution. In the case of Master’s degree programmes following upon Bachelor’s degree programmes, only applicants who have completed the respective Bachelor’s degree courses or hold equivalent qualifications are considered. The prerequisite for admission to a Doctoral degree programme is the completion of an appropriate Master’s degree programme or an equivalent qualification.
HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY

Students who want to study a full degree should apply directly to the higher education institution of their choice. The deadline for submitting applications is normally the end of February or March. Entrance examinations are usually held between June and September. Examinations at higher education institutions for the arts take place earlier. Application forms, instructions and course information can be found on the websites of higher education institutions. Studies are divided into semesters (winter and summer), years or blocks. The academic year lasts 12 months and its beginning is determined by the rector.

Students who are enrolled at a higher education institution in their home country and wish to study in the Czech Republic as exchange students, should contact their home institution to find out about studying via an exchange agreement.

TUITION FEES

Higher education at public and state institutions is free of charge for citizens of all nationalities, with the following exceptions:

• fees for administration of admission proceedings;
• fees for extending the duration of study beyond a set limit;
• fees for the study of an additional programme;
• fees for study in a foreign language.

Please note that in the near future, students of Czech public universities will most likely have to pay fees. The current government (elected in 2010) presumes that the tuition fee could be 800 EUR for one academic year.

Private institutions of higher education can fix their own fees. The tuition fees differ from 2,000 – 15,000 USD per year and the amount depends on the relevant institution and study programme.

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LANGUAGE COURSES

Some Czech higher education institutions organise language courses for foreign students. The courses are usually paid, but there may be exceptions (e.g. language course as part of a scholarship). The Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies (www.ujop.cz) offers teaching of Czech language to foreigners and preparing them for university studies.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

Foreign students can receive a scholarship under bilateral international agreements on cooperation in the field of education (offered by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport of the Czech Republic) or within the framework of the Foreign Development Aid (offered by the Government of the Czech Republic). Information about these scholarships is available at Czech embassies and consulates. Some higher education institutions offer student mobilities under bilateral university agreements or grant scholarships for excellent study results or in cases of hard circumstances of a student. European students can take the advantage of a number of exchange programmes (e.g. Erasmus, EEA/Norway Financial Mechanisms, Aktion, Ceepus). The EU Erasmus Mundus Programme offers scholarships for highly qualified students to follow a selected Erasmus Mundus master or doctoral study programme.

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**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

The Academy of Performing Arts is the biggest and oldest Czech university level school of drama, film, TV, multi-media, music and dance studies.

Theatre Faculty (DAMU) covers a wide range of disciplines: acting, directing, puppetry, dramaturgy, stage management, theatre-in-education, theatre management and theory and criticism. The school educates future theatre professionals, specialists in the field of culture, communications, media etc. The school theatre DISK is a regular repertory theatre, final year students are playing some 10 productions monthly. Several study programmes (stage management, directing, puppetry, management, authorial acting) at the Master’s level are available in English language; international students can study at DAMU in the framework of European exchange programmes or enroll as individual short-term students.

Film and TV School (FAMU) has been training practically all filmmaking talents creating Czech film for over 60 years. FAMU—with its traditions of artistic mentoring under top practitioners, its excellent technical support, and its deep curriculum spanning ten departments devoted exclusively to audio-visual media is now open to foreign students as never before with short-term courses, exchanges, and world-class Masters programmes available in the English language.

Music and Dance Faculty (HAMU) maintains and develops the Czech musical and Dance traditions. In the field of music it is more focused on classic while in dance is more reflecting modern trends. Its professors belong to the exceptional artistic personalities. It emphasizes high quality of its graduates as professional soloists and performers. The individual fields of study are offered through eleven departments: Composition, Conducting, Voice and Opera, Keyboard Instruments, String Instruments, Wind/Brass Instruments, Music Theory and History, Dance, Pantomime, Musical Sound and Percussion Instruments.

**AMU = DAMU + FAMU + HAMU**

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

Anglo-American University, founded in 1990, is the oldest private institution of higher education in the Czech Republic. It prides itself on providing a personalized, distinctive university education in English, stemming from best American and British academic traditions that form future leaders, citizens of the world and high profile individuals ready to get globally engaged in world matters.

Anglo-American University is divided into five schools: School of Business Administration, School of International Relations and Diplomacy, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, School of Journalism and John H. Carey II. School of Law. They offer a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate programs. Located in beautiful baroque palaces in Prague’s historic Malá Strana, Anglo-American University has become a center of academic excellence where students from all over the world come to pursue academic study in an environment that encourages intellectual curiosity, leadership, cooperation and respect for cultural and national diversity.

AAU prides itself on having a core international faculty trained at fine universities worldwide, including the Ivy League.

**Academy of Performing Arts in Prague**

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

**Faculties:** Theatre (DAMU); Film and TV (FAMU); Music and Dance (HAMU)

**Founding year:** 1945

**Type of institution:** Public

**Degree programmes:** Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

**Tuition languages:** Czech, English

**Total number of students:** 1,469

**International students:** 244

**Scholarships:** Not available at the Theatre Faculty and the Music and Dance Faculty. Successful students of Cinema and Digital Media Programme and the Photography Programme at the Film and TV Faculty may obtain scholarship after finishing the first year of their studies.

**Range of tuition fees:** 8,900 – 31,000 USD/year for programmes in English

**Admission success rate:**
- Theatre: 10%
- Film and TV: 12%
- Music and Dance: 22.5%

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FACTS AND FIGURES

Architectural Institute in Prague (ARCHIP) is a new private school of architecture with instruction in English. ARCHIP offers a Bachelor’s study programme with standard length of full time study 3 years. The school is truly international – with an emphasis on students and faculty coming from abroad. The faculty relies on leading Czech architects as well as on equally recognized figures in the field of history and theory or visual arts.

The programme of the school is based in studio instruction, complemented by other courses and disciplines. Lectures in theory combine with practice-oriented seminars, excursions and workshops. ARCHIP focuses on previously neglected fields such as landscape design, urban planning, public space development or monument conservation. ARCHIP also promotes the use of architectural models, teamwork, presentation skills and polemics. The size of the school allows a close contact between the faculty and the students.

ARCHIP benefits from being situated in Prague, one of the most magnificent cities in the world, with a historical town centre that is on UNESCO’s list since 1992. The unique premises of the school are in Veletržní palác, that is still regarded as an accomplished example of Modernist architecture. ARCHIP is a platform for architecture in general and keeps in close contact with other local and international institutions in the field.

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**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

**Brno International Business School**

Brno International Business School is a private educational institution offering the finest higher education studies of economics and management. The school was founded in 1998 by associate partners from Great Britain and the Czech Republic and currently ranks among the largest private business schools in the Czech Republic with over 2800 students.

**Course structure:**
The course is a combination of full-time and part-time study, that is why the programmes are suitable for fresh graduates of university-level programmes as well as for those already working or completing the last year of study at another university. In practice, the combination of full-time and part-time study translates into 4 – 5 two-day weekend seminars per term where the students become familiar with the basics of the presented issue. The remaining part-time study consists in self-study and consultation with lecturers (either face to face, in a group or electronically. The total length of study is three and a half years or two and a half years. On individual basis, the course can be shortened or extended by as much as one term.

**Other benefits of these programmes:**
The courses are taught by experienced lecturers from universities and colleges as well as practising professionals; majority of the teaching staff has years of teaching experience from international study programmes. Students receive basic study literature which is already covered in the tuition fee. As a rule, the courses follow a fixed syllabus which is distributed to students in advance. This makes it easier for them to organize their study during the term and co-ordinate the courses with their job responsibilities. If interested, students can spend a part of the course attending classes in Great Britain at the partner Nottingham Trent University. Applicants have an opportunity to acquire practical knowledge while solving real-life problems formulated by the student; teamwork is emphasized, as well. A key aspect of the study is the individual approach to participants’ needs and interactive teaching.

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

**Brno University of Technology**

The Brno University of Technology (BUT) is the oldest higher education institution in Brno and one of the elite technological and research universities in Europe. In 2009 the Times Higher Education ranked BUT among the world’s top 500 universities (it also placed 254th in engineering and IT disciplines worldwide).

With more than 23,000 students, the BUT is one of the largest universities in the Czech Republic and offering an integrated three-tier university education in Bachelor’s Master’s and Doctoral degree programmes. Currently the university offers 74 accredited degree programmes.

Faculties are equipped with a large number of lecture halls, classrooms and modern laboratories. Student Residence Halls have a capacity to accommodate 6,800 students in rooms with internet access. BUT offers its students wide range of dining services with modern catering system. BUT also has the largest academic facility in the Czech Republic especially thanks to the newly-built multifunctional sport hall.

In 2009, Brno University of Technology has received the ECTS Label and DS Label prestigious awards for 2009-2013 in appreciation of its quality as a higher-education institution.

Students may carry out part of their studies within international exchange programmes at one of BUT’s many partner universities. Brno University of Technology has general bilateral agreements on cooperation with 90 universities around the world, and each year around 360 bilateral agreements within LLP/Erasmus. It also participates in other programmes, among them Leonardo da Vinci, CEEPUS, etc.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Business School Ostrava Plc (BSO) is a non-university type of business school. Our accredited study programme, Economics and Management, the study branch of Entrepreneurship, is provided to full-time and part-time students in both, first- cycle and second- cycle studies. The ECTS system has been fully introduced. BSO runs the Lifelong learning centre which offers a variety of courses for companies and individuals.

Student life

Student Residence Halls has the capacity to accommodate 157 students in rooms with internet access.

Cooperation

In 2006, BSO was awarded a prestigious certificate Diploma Supplement Label. In 2009, BSO was awarded the DS Label for the second time. BSO has made contacts with universities and institutions from abroad, within Europe, mainly.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Central Bohemian Institute of Higher Education has been operating as a private higher education institution of Bachelor's studies since 2002. The Central Bohemian Institute is the first higher education institution in the region of Kladno which was established in accordance with the higher education law.

The school, with the support of the European Social Funds, has built the hyper-regional Lifelong Learning Center. The school also cooperates with the main partners in the employment market. The institution has already opened two branches in Karlovy Vary and Prague.

The main form of study is the three-year full time Bachelor’s study programme. Majority of courses are compulsory. This enables students to obtain a solid theoretical basis on which they can build their further studies. The studies are completed with the final Bachelor's Exam. Besides the degree certificate the graduates also receive the Diploma Supplement indicating the completed modules and allocated credits which will be acknowledged for potential further studies of related academic disciplines not only in the Czech Republic but also in the European Union countries. The graduates are entitled to use the academic title “Bachelor” (abbreviated as Bc) in front of their names. All of the accredited study programmes are designed into credit system modules, which recognize The European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS).
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

CEVRO Institute is providing an elite education in the Czech Republic, in Prague. Our accredited programmes focus on Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in political science, international relations, public administration, applied sociology and business law.

The college created an academic community where students get individual attention from professors. An emphasis on freedom, markets, and rule of law is a part of our education. Our team includes elite professors with respected domestic and foreign reputations. Our college is a way for us to share knowledge and prepare the next generation for leadership and civic engagement.

CEVRO Institute is joining the Erasmus programme and cooperates with several European and U.S. universities.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Founded in 1348 by the Holy Roman emperor Charles IV, Charles University has a long-standing tradition. Originally, it had four faculties: the Faculty of Arts, Theology, Law and Medicine. Today, more than 660 years later, it has 17 faculties in three different cities, 3 collegiate institutes, 6 additional establishments and 5 university-wide facilities. It remains one of the largest and oldest European universities.

With more than 50,000 students, over 7,500 PhD students and well over 3,000 publications in the Web of Science database per year, the Charles University promotes the Humboldtian ideal of higher education. It is a close community of research and education, in which both students and professors take part in both research and educational activities.

Charles University is the most internationally respected university in the Czech Republic. In both the Shanghai and The Times Higher Education Supplement (THES) World University Rankings, Charles University is the only Czech institution of higher education to rank among the top 500 universities. Its rankings make the university one of the 1.5% of the world’s best universities and one of Europe’s top 100 universities.

Charles University stresses international cooperation with prestigious educational and scientific establishments. Charles University has entered into more than 1390 bilateral agreements within LLP/Erasmus programme and almost 200 interuniversity agreements with top foreign universities.
**FACTS AND FIGURES**

**College of Applied Economic Studies in České Budějovice**

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**


Graduates will become Economists, managers and other specialists in all areas of social and health services, such as hospitals, clinics, or health insurance companies. Apart from economics we focus on teaching foreign languages and computing skills too. The high level of academic work is guaranteed by a team of professors and docents of relevant specializations.

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The College offers also a follow-up Master’s study programme Management of Tourism Industry (2 years of full-time or combined studies).

**Student life**

The College has well-furnished air-conditioned classrooms in one of the significant Art Noveau buildings. It has a favourable location at Prague Centre, the place offers an attractive and quiet environment. The College has a well furnished Students Club, Library, free Internet. Catering is available at the students’ restaurant next to the College or at the Students Club restaurant. Health centre services for students are next to the school building.

**Cooperation**

The College collaborates closely with travel offices, airlines, hotels and travel agencies, especially in providing work placements for the students. As for the international cooperation the College is involved in the student’s and teacher’s mobility programme Erasmus.

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The College of Economics and Management (VSEM) is one of the most successful and prestigious private universities in the Czech Republic, located in one of the most beautiful cities in the world - Prague.

VSEM has been awarded the Standard Erasmus University Charter until the academic year 2013/2014. Since 2008, VSEM cooperates with more than 40 universities under the Erasmus Programme. Tuition in English is offered in selected subjects, so that the international students can spend at least 4 months at VSEM. Students can attend a special language course oriented on foreign students who want to be able to communicate in basic everyday situations in the Czech language.

The VSEM Library offers access to a wide range of resources to support teaching, learning and research at VSEM. All VSEM students can get access to the CERGE-EI Library, the best economic library of its kind in Central and Eastern Europe. VSEM offers computer rooms in the university building. All students have free access to the internet and electronic mail. Every student accepted to study at VSEM is provided with his/her own university e-mail address.

VSEM has its own Sport’s club associating nearly 400 students. The Information and Counseling Centre provides pedagogical, psychological, career, legal, accommodation and financial counseling.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
Not divided into faculties.

Type of institution:
Private

Degree programmes:
Bachelor’s, Master’s, MBA

Tuition languages:
Czech, English (selected courses)

Total number of students:
2,322

International students:
172 (tuition in English only)
30 (within Erasmus programme)

Scholarships:
Special scholarships for handicapped students (housing allowance, travel allowance).

Range of tuition fees:
0 USD/year (tuition in English only within the Erasmus programme; entire English taught programme under preparation)

Admission success rate:
97.5%

Website:
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WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The College of International and Public Relations Prague is a prestigious private college which, through its original study programme, focuses specifically on the European Union, diplomacy, public administration institutions, political and other segments of civic society and communication-based relations in the social system, including Public Relations. Study programmes are targeted at those with ambitions to make maximum use of their qualifications to succeed in the prestigious and demanding environment of domestic and international competition.

The School offers three-year attendance-based and combined Bachelor’s degree programme and two-year attendance-based and combined Master’s degree programme.

The School is integrated into the Erasmus programme network. Students may also acquaint themselves with current issues affecting the national and supranational environment outside of study; an Academic Discussion Forum is in operation at the college. It is organised on the basis of lecture and discussion panels featuring ambassadors, ministers, prime ministers and even representatives of European structures.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
Departments of: International Relations; Diplomacy; Public Administration; Politology and Politics; European Studies; Public Relations

Type of institution:
Private

Degree programmes:
Bachelor’s, Master’s

Tuition languages:
Czech

Total number of students:
520

International students:
38

Scholarships:
Not available.

Range of tuition fees:
Please contact the higher education institution.

Admission success rate:
90%

Website:
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WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The College of Karlovy Vary (VSKV) was founded in 1999 as a private higher educational institution. The school offers a Bachelor’s Degree Programme and after the state final examination it awards the degree Bachelor (abbr. ‘Bc’). To satisfy a great number of applicants the school expanded its local activities and set up a branch in Prague in 2006.

VSKV provides complete bachelor education with a continuous link to the university system of education considering the use in practice. The University of Karlovy Vary is located in the regional town of Karlovy Vary where it strives to help to meet the educational needs of the region. The school is also an important partner to many institutions in the Czech Republic and through its pedagogical personalities it participates in the work of specialist groups of various Departments of the government (Education, Justice, the Interior). Czech Parliament, higher school education in general (The Czech Conference of Rectors, The Board of Higher Schools) and specialist legal organisations. VSKV has been publishing a professional, quarterly distributed magazine for a few years which is appreciated for its up-to-date and professional level. The school also uses possibilities of international cooperation of higher schools.

The Bachelor’s Degree Programme is aimed at the education of specialists for particular administrative—legal professions in which the essential responsibility is good orientation in the system of law and ability to apply particular segments of public and private law.

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The College of Karlovy Vary

The aim is to prepare professionals and experts for the following fields:

- transport
- services
- information management
- tourism

Students are gaining theoretical knowledge from the following areas: mathematics, physics, logistics, operational research and information science applicable in transport, transport infrastructure and private and public services. These core courses are complemented by economic and legal disciplines. Language preparation focusing on general, cultural, political and mainly business communication enables the students to follow their career in international companies.

Student life

The college library helps the students to find any technical or other sources of literature or newest magazines regarding the topic needed. There is no study club at College of Logistics yet, but students are very cooperative and there is a friendly atmosphere in the school.

The City of Přerov offers many possibilities of how to spent leisure time; from social to sport activities - outdoor as well as indoor. Also the neighbouring cities and towns and surrounding landscape are interesting from the historical and cultural point of view.

Cooperation

College of Logistics has been participating for more than 4 years in the Erasmus Programme of student and staff mobilities and other international projects in Leonardo da Vinci, INTERREG and Grundtvig programmes. The cooperation with other schools teaching logistics is very deep and has resulted into a LONDON project – Logistics and Transport teaching.
FACTS AND FIGURES

College of Nursing

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

The College of Nursing is a non-university type of college which ensures education for health care providers. The college matches the standards of health education. The ace experts ensure the vocational training.

**The college can offer students:**

- to obtain the Bachelor’s degree
- to improve the qualification and have competitive advantage to implement in professional management careers
- to improve language skills at the training centre in the United Kingdom and Germany
- to have one year of the training programme in the United Kingdom and become a registered nurse
- an opportunity of working abroad

The College uses the European Credit Transfer System. This credit system enables students to choose the subjects according to their workload and also participate in education programmes at different colleges in the Czech Republic and abroad.

**The college offers the following study programmes:**

**General Nurse** *(3 years)*: The study programme consists of Anatomy and Physiology, Pathology, Gynaecology, Nursing Care in Clinical Fields, Microbiology, Nutrition and Public Health and furthermore Pharmacology, Nursing Process, Physical Examination, Physiotherapy, Law, Economic Science and Management.

**Midwifery** *(3 year)*: The study programme consists of Anatomy and Physiology, Pathology, Gynaecology and obstetrics, Special Nursing Care, Microbiology, Nutrition and Public Health and furthermore Pharmacology, Nursing Process, Physical Examination, Physiotherapy, Law, Economic science and Management.

50% of study programmes is dedicated to the vocational training. The college cooperates with the most prestigious training centres in Prague.

FACTS AND FIGURES

The College of Physical Education and Sport PALESTRA is a private, recently accredited, non-university college, which enriches the offer of educational opportunities to achieve a Bachelor’s degree with a focus on the area of physical education, sport and leisure time management.

**The curriculum is comparable with the university education systems abroad. It is implemented in a credit form, which is compatible with European credit transfer system.**

**It covers the following fields of study:**

- Sport and fitness specialist
- Sport and leisure time management educationist

The graduates become specialists in a varied range of leisure time activities, organisers and managers of physical education and sport. The sport and fitness specialists have a possibility to make a career in sports and training clubs, sport associations, centres of regeneration, fitness centres, in travel trade, as well as specialist advisors in the field of health prevention, hygiene and injury prevention in a wide range of institutions focusing on sport activity.

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WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

College of Polytechnics Jihlava (VSPJ) was set up in June 2004 as the first public college of a non-university type. VSPJ runs accredited Bachelor’s degree programmes and programmes of life-long education.

The general goal of the study of accredited study programmes is to provide applicants with the possibility to get professionally oriented education with strongly practical output. After passing a final state examination and a bachelor work defense a graduate gets a diploma and a Bachelor’s degree (Bc.) along with the possibility of study abroad. The study in the accredited study programme Economy and Management is daily and lasts 3.5 years. At present, courses Finance and Management and Travel/Tourism are accredited. Accreditation of further programmes and courses is proceeding.

VSPJ resides in its own building in the centre of the town next to the bus station with a good link to the railway station. The building is adapted for the purposes and needs of the study, among others there are language laboratories, a computer hall, a reading room, a library with more than 30,000 books. Within the premises there are students’ hostels with the capacity of 180 places and a canteen offering lunches and dinners.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The College of Tourism, Hotel and Spa Management is a private college with the accredited Bachelor’s study programme in Economics and Management. Following the successful completion of the final Bachelor’s examination, including the presentation of the Bachelor’s examination and thesis, graduates in “Tourism Management” and “Hotel Management, Catering and Spas” are awarded a Bachelor’s degree. The college uses the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) which allows students to make individual decisions about the optional components of their study programmes at colleges and universities abroad.

The College’s founder, management, teaching staff and academic council ensure that teaching is linked with practical experience in the profession for which students are trained. Our College was selected from many other candidates by the Czech Ministry of Regional Development to receive a state subsidy under a state-run programme to support tourism in 2001, which is a testimony.

Organization of studies:

The College provides a three-year Bachelor’s programme in Economy and Management in two separate curricula - Tourism Management and Hotel Management, Catering and Spas. The College offers full-time study plans only. The first two years are identical for both curricula, students can select their specialization for the 3rd year. Special attention is paid to foreign language classes. Our classes consist of small groups and provide for the individual care and attention of students. Languages are taught by teachers provided by a top ranked language school in Prague, most of them being native speakers. Three languages, of the student’s own choice, are compulsory. Practical subjects are taught by managers and specialists who work with the large hotels of Prague, well-established travel agencies and spa facilities. Vocational training includes case studies and practical experience.

Every academic year is divided into two semesters (winter and summer semesters), each of them lasting 12 teaching weeks. Each semester is followed by five to six week period of examination.
FACTS AND FIGURES

**Faculties:**
- Civil Engineering; Mechanical Engineering; Electrical Engineering; Nuclear Engineering; Architecture; Transportation; Biomedical Engineering; Information Technology
- Founding year: 1707
- Type of institution: Public
- Degree programmes: Bachelor's, Master's, Doctoral, MBA
- **Tuition languages:** Czech, English, French
- **Total number of students:** 21 425
- **International students:** 2 477
- **Scholarships:** A limited number of scholarships, for Master's and PhD studies only.
- **Range of tuition fees:** 2 000 – 7 000 USD/year
- **Admission success rate:** 30%
- **Website:** www.cvut.cz
- **Contact:** admissions-international@cvut.cz
- **Kamýcká 129, 165 21 Prague 6 – Suchdol

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Czech Technical University in Prague (CTU) is the oldest technical university in Central Europe, and the largest in the Czech Republic. The university was founded in 1707. At the beginning of the 19th century it became the Prague Polytechnic, following the example of Paris. In 1920 the name was changed to the Czech Technical University in Prague. During the 20th century the Faculties of Nuclear Sciences and Physical Engineering, Architecture, Transportation Sciences, Biomedical Engineering and Information technology were added to the existing Faculties of Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Electrical engineering. Nowadays it has about 24 000 students, of whom 54% are studying under Bachelor's programmes, 34% under Master's programmes and 12% under Doctoral programmes.

Study programmes are offered in a wide range of fields of engineering, as well as architecture, management and economics. Research is an important aspect of the university's work. There are 2 300 full-time and part-time PhD students, and all Bachelor's and Master's level students are required to work on projects and present their findings. Most of the fields of engineering that seem particularly attractive and important at the beginning of the 21st century are strongly represented at CTU, for example, computing, robotics, automatic control, materials engineering, biomedical engineering, environmental engineering, telecommunications.

The university buildings and facilities are located near the centre of Prague, capital city of the Czech Republic. Prague has been one of the greatest and most attractive centres of culture, science and education in Europe for well over 600 years.

Cooperation

The university is very internationally oriented. It attracts considerable numbers of foreign students and offers many opportunities for its own students to spend part of their study programme at a partner institution abroad. The university collaborates closely with leading companies, especially - but not only - with those operating in the Czech Republic. Its graduates should be able to work effectively in national and international contexts.
European Polytechnical Institute - Kunovice Campus

Why This Higher Education Institution?

The European Polytechnical Institute - Kunovice Campus is the first private higher education institution in the region of Moravia. EPI offers full time and part time Bachelor's studies in the fields of Management and Marketing of Foreign Trade, Finance and Tax, Information in Economics and Computer Science.

EPI offers particular programmes for high school and college graduates, and also people who wish to study at weekends. There are special programmes and approaches for the effective education of the middle-age and senior generation which needs to be adapted to today's rapid social development. Besides EPI offers also the option of education included in the lifelong study (study to obtain several professional qualifications for high school teachers, masters, educators, special courses and distance learning).

EPI provides a pleasant environment which can be compared with prestigious private schools globally. EPI has been built with the aim of creating a community of international students and teachers to provide a stimulus to the development of the society. EPI is a regional higher education institution. Students can study at its campuses in the towns of Kunovice and Hodonin.

During each academic year EPI holds several open days. We look forward to welcoming you.

Facts and Figures

- Faculties: Not divided into faculties.
- Founding year: 1999
- Type of institution: Private
- Degree programmes: Bachelor's
- Tuition languages: Czech, Slovak
- Total number of students: 1 325
- International students: 310
- Scholarships: Accommodation scholarship only.
- Range of tuition fees: 3 125 – 4 000 USD/year
- Admission success rate: 88%
- Website: www.edukomplex.cz
- Contact: Osvobození 699, 686 09 Kunovice
  epi@edukomplex.cz
  +420 572 549 018

Film Academy of Miroslav Ondricek in Písek

Why This Higher Education Institution?

Do you want to realize your dreams? Come and study at the FAMO. We offer individually handmade study programmes tailored according to your knowledge and needs.

The Film Academy of Miroslav Ondricek in Písek (FAMO) is an independent film school offering 1 or 2 semester courses and an international Bachelor of Arts Degree in Film and Television. All lectures, seminars and workshops are conducted in English. The Bachelor Degree is accredited by the Czech Republic's Ministry of Education and therefore recognized throughout Europe and the European Union. The Film Academy educates and trains its students to a professional level with specializations in Screenwriting and Directing; Cinematography; Sound or Editing. The programme aims to equip its graduates with a high level of technical competence and craft skills as well as to develop their creative skills to the highest artistic level.

Reasons for choosing FAMO:

- unique opportunity to learn and work with 35mm film and digital media
- fully equipped 35mm studio, 35mm cameras, 16mm cameras, JVC HD cameras, SONY DVCam cameras, full lighting equipment
- fully equipped animation studios 2D, 3D with 35mm cameras electronically operated with possibility of “Multiplan” shooting
- sound studios with detached and digitally equipped production room
- film editing rooms (35mm and 16mm Steenbacks)
- fully air-conditioned digital editing rooms (Avid...)
- sound postproduction rooms equipped with Protools
- the film and digital formats viewing theatre
- all teachers are working professionals
- remarkable and creative atmosphere of an art film school
- superb atmosphere of a beautiful historical town, situated in the centre of Europe and only 100km south of Prague

The Academy aims to provide an environment where students can gain the knowledge of underlying aesthetic principles of filmmaking and teaches to apply, explore, experiment and even to challenge those principles in the real world.

Facts and Figures

- Faculties: Not divided into faculties.
- Founding year: 2004
- Type of institution: Private
- Degree programmes: Bachelor's
- Tuition languages: Czech, English
- Total number of students: 103
- International students: 18
- Scholarships: Not available.
- Range of tuition fees: 10 650 USD/year
- Admission success rate: 69%
- Website: www.filmovka.cz
- Contact: Lipová alej 2068, 397 01 Písek
  ifs@filmovka.cz
  +420 382 264 212
FACTS AND FIGURES

Institute of Finance and Administration

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Institute of Finance and Administration (VSFS) was established by the Bank Academy and Czech Coal Group in 1999 in accordance with the state approval to act as a private institution of higher education. Since then, it has been developing continuously. In 2001 its study centers in Most and Kladno were opened. A year later MBA study programs were launched in cooperation with City University Seattle (USA). Another year later the school set up Eupress, a publishing house producing study materials and books. In March 2003 VSFS acquired accreditation for the follow-up Master study. The institute became the first private university in the field of Economics in 2009.

Over the years of its existence VSFS has became one of the largest private institutes of higher education in the Czech Republic, both in the number of students (about 6 000) and in numbers of full-time teachers on its faculty.

Since its foundation the school has always paid attention to scientific work and international cooperation. It continuously organizes international expert conferences and scientific seminars, solves a number of research tasks and participates in professional projects for state institutions and private firms. Recently, it has also been developing cooperation with foreign colleges and universities and participating in international educational programs of students’ and staff exchange Erasmus.

Institute of Hospitality Management in Prague

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Through its Bachelor’s and Master’s programmes, the Institute of Hospitality Management in Prague (IHM) prepares mid- and top-level management for the gastronomy and hotel industry, spa premises, travel agencies, employment in public authorities, international tourism bodies and logistic firms.

A significant feature of studies at IHM is their integration with practise. There is the Partners Association (e.g. Pilsner Urquell Brewery, Bohemia Sekt, Jelinek Destillery, Mierot, Vienna International and leading Czech hotel companies) that arrange student practical training. Their experts also join the educational programme giving lectures on managerial experiences from their own companies.

The IHM offers teaching of English, German, Spanish, Russian and French languages. The IHM is situated on its own campus. A bus terminal nearby provides quick connection with the metro. The IHM has its own catering service on the premises; there are two large dining halls with service, two buffets for students and also a restaurant providing services for the public. Accommodation for students is based on a long-term contract with a commercial hotel establishment nearby. The school is equipped with a gastronomy laboratory, lecture-halls, two bars for sommelier and barman education, three lounges for service, computer and language classrooms. The library and study room provide 27 computer units. The whole premises has wi-fi internet access.

Since 2004 there have been mutual teacher and student exchanges within the Erasmus programme. At present the IHM has 16 bilateral agreements with partner schools all over Europe and also participates in a practical training programme under Erasmus – in hotels in Greece and Spain. IHM has a bilateral contract with ITAB - hotel school in Mexico. Student exchanges take place regularly under this contract. IHM has its own Research Center in which individual employees and some students are involved.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Institute of Chemical Technology in Prague is the largest educational institution covering chemistry, chemical engineering, biochemistry, biotechnology and food chemistry in Central Europe. Its almost 200-year history, combined with its progressive branches of study and its international reputation, offers all students access to leading technologies and options for attachments abroad, and is their entrance ticket to prestigious and well-paid employment in the Czech Republic and abroad. The institute is also an important centre for scientific research, and the most dynamic science university in the Czech Republic.

The institute’s history dates back to the inception of chemistry teaching in the Czech Lands. Following the founding of the Prague Polytechnic in 1806 teaching commenced in two departments, covering mathematics and chemistry. From 1920 onwards the institute was one of seven colleges under the Czech Technical University, and in 1952 the Institute of Chemical Technology, Prague was founded as an independent body.

The institute’s graduates include a number of important chemists such as Professor Otto Wichterle, the inventor of the soft contact lens which is now worn by almost a hundred million people around the world. In 1928 Vladimír Prolog, the 1975 winner of the Nobel Prize for Chemistry (when he was a professor at ETH Zurich), graduated from the institute.

Study consists of three-year Bachelor’s courses, two-year Master’s courses and three-year Doctoral courses. The structured study system is used by a large number of universities in the west, allowing studies to be combined at several universities. The institute uses the Credit Transfer System (ECTS) for appraisal.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
- Chemical Technology
- Environmental Technology
- Food and Biochemical Technology
- Chemical Engineering

Founding year: 1952
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

Tuition languages: Czech, English

Total number of students: 3,858
International students: 259

Scholarships:
For students who for financial reasons could not otherwise consider studying at the institute. Such students come from developing countries or countries undergoing social and economic transformation.

Range of tuition fees:
Please contact the higher education institution.
Admission success rate:
Please contact the higher education institution.
Website: www.vscht.cz
Contact: Technická 5, 166 28 Praha 6 – Dejvice
zahranici@vscht.cz
+420 220 443 158

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Institute of Technology and Business in České Budějovice is the youngest public university in the country. It is an excellent college-oriented professional education for specialist engineers and economist. The Institute offers Bachelor’s degree programmes. To ensure professional education, we cooperate with companies. The Institute of Technology and Business is turning primarily on technical and economic study programmes. Students have the opportunity to use school accommodation, library, modern computer study rooms. For sports students we have a football pitch, sports hall, gym and tennis court. Students can also spend one or two semesters of studies or working experience abroad within the Erasmus programme.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties: Not divided into faculties
Founding year: 2006
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s
Tuition languages: Czech, English
Total number of students: 1,038
International students: 0
Scholarships: Not available.
Range of tuition fees: 3,420 USD/year
Admission success rate: 70%
Website: www.vstecb.cz
Contact: Okružní 10, 370 01 České Budějovice
erasmus@mail.vstecb.cz
+420 387 842 129
International Baptist Theological Seminary

The International Baptist Theological Seminary (IBTS) exists for the specific purpose of bringing theological students together from across Europe and beyond who have already graduated with a Bachelor’s of Theology degree, or general Magister in Theology, to proceed with further more specialised academic study then. We are quite unique in being both owned by an international organisation and deliberately drawing together people from every part of Europe in theological discourse and learning. Naturally, we are delighted that we have Czech students who want to study with us and we not only have Baptists, but Czech Evangelical Brethren and various free church Czech students who are excited by the programme offered at IBTS.

The degrees are validated by major British university, the University of Wales, and recognised by the Ministry of Education in the Czech Republic.

The courses are suitable for students who wish to develop their studies at Master’s level in order to help them in ministry as teachers and leaders and for those who require a secure basis for further research. The courses are also suitable as a form of in service training for those professionally engaged as ministers, teachers and missionaries. It is vitally important to IBTS that each person who comes here to study does so with a sense of vocation and with the full encouragement of their own Denomination, Union or Convention in Europe or the Middle East, and also that it is clear there is a task in ministry in their own country to which they are committed.

The Library is a focal point of the IBTS campus, it is one of the largest English language theological libraries on the continent of Europe, is a rich resource for theological study. The library holds over 70,000 volumes, including materials in German and other European languages, and subscribes to about 200 mainly theological periodicals.

All our programmes are designed to conform to the European Credit Transfer System of the European Union and are constantly being adjusted to match European Union criteria for Quality Assurance and Academic Excellence. IBTS holds an Erasmus Extended University Charter and participate actively in the international Erasmus exchange programmes for students and faculty.

Jan Amos Komenský University

The Jan Amos Komenský University (UJAK), situated close to the Prague’s historical centre was established in 2001 and became the first private university in the Czech Republic. UJAK has developed into the largest private university in the Czech Republic.

The degrees are validated by major British university, the University of Wales, and recognised by the Ministry of Education in the Czech Republic.

The pillar of our fields of study are:
- Special Education
- Adult Education
- European Economic and Public Administration Studies
- Social and Mass Communication
- Law in Entrepreneurship
- Tourism Management
- Managerial Studies – Human Resources Management
- Audio-visual Communication and Production
- Scenic and Media Studies

We offer both full and combined form of study and the use of ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits. We welcome international students and provide personal service and support during the course of their studies at our institution.

Cooperation
The UJAK cooperates with many higher educational institutions all over Europe as well as third countries (Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Latvia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and Kazakhstan) under the LLP Erasmus and other programmes. Research projects include involvement in Leonardo, Tempus, Comenius etc.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Jan Evangelista Purkyně University (UJEP) is situated in North-Western Bohemia region. It offers 88 Bachelor’s courses in 32 study programmes, 96 Master’s courses in 26 study programmes and 11 Doctoral courses in 9 study programmes. At present more than 11,000 students study at the university on full and part time bases. In average around 1,400 students graduate annually.

The university provides higher education in the region that is attractive in many respects (e.g. proximity to capital city Prague, common border with Germany, lower costs of living in comparison to other regions of the Czech Republic, Czech Switzerland – a unique national park, etc.).

The university is a diverse unity whose advantage is the variety of study programmes ranging from human through social-economic and nature up to technical sciences. The unique regional character of the university enables students of nearly all study programmes to enjoy advantages of combining theoretical knowledge and practice. This practical aspect also has an international character.

The sufficient dormitory capacities and one of the highest accommodation scholarship in the Czech Republic that the university grants along with the wide variety of available free-time activity options (e.g. the University Slavia sport club, 5 choirs etc.) make UJEP a modern and attractive place to study.

The university participates in both EU (e.g. Erasmus, Comenius, Leonardo da Vinci) as well as national programmes of development supported by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. UJEP has a rich cooperation bases on 26 university agreements.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
- Art and Design
- Education
- Environment
- Philosophy
- Production Technology and Management
- Science
- Social and Economic studies
- Institute of Health Studies

Founding year: 1991
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral
Tuition languages: Czech, English, German
Total number of students: 11,417
International students: 250
Scholarships: Not available.
Range of tuition fees: 500 – 1,875 USD/year
Admission success rate: 25 – 75 % (depending on the study area)
Website: www.ujep.cz
Contact:
Hoření 13, 400 96 Ústí nad Labem
tel.: +420 475 282 277

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Janáček Academy of Music and Performing Arts (JAMU) is one of only two such academies in the Czech Republic. It is named after Leos Janáček, one of the most distinguished figures in modern European music. The recently refurbished historical buildings of its two faculties and the Astorka building (an information, teaching and student accommodation centre) offer a wide range of facilities, soon to be joined by a new Music-Drama Lab.

JAMU’s innovative approach can be seen in its degree programmes in drama education for the Deaf (unparalleled in Europe) and musical theatre (unique in the Czech Republic), its promotion of clown, scenic and film creation; its pioneering work in the use of drama in teaching; its path-breaking electroacoustic music and multimedia programmes; and the Faculty of Music’s unique Methodology Centres, which provide further education for graduates from conservatories, music and performing arts academies and Faculties of Education. JAMU is known for its exciting student production at the Marta theatre and those carried out by its Chamber Opera, frequent concerts by the Janáček Academic Orchestra as well as by individual students and teachers, and such high-profile annual international events as Encounter (an ambitious theatre school festival), a fun-filled street theatre festival and the Janáček Competition for leading young interpreters. The Faculty of Music runs annual International Music Master Classes offering highly specialized training in a number of fields, while its International Double-Bass Convention attracts steadily growing numbers of international students.

In the Erasmus program alone JAMU has concluded bilateral agreements with 48 partner universities from 19 countries.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
- Music
- Performing Arts

Founding year: 1947
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral
Tuition languages: Czech, English, German
Total number of students: 638
International students: 90
Scholarships: Not available.
Range of tuition fees: Life Long Learning Programme: 3,125 USD/year.
Admission success rate: 26%
Website: www.jamu.cz
Contact:
Beethovenova 2, 662 15 Brno
tel.: +420 542 591 141
e-mail: dekan.hf@jamu.cz

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Literary Academy (LA), the only institution of its kind in Central Europe, was founded in 2000 as the first Czech private university with a full Master’s programme in the humanities.

It offers creative and communicative training required in the flexible world of literature and the media. The tailor-made curricula are based on the course in Creative Writing (the students can study prose, poetry, drama or screenplay). A unique feature of the curriculum is its blend of artistic, scholarly, and practical components. All students are required to study English (along with the literature and culture of English-speaking countries) and one other foreign language (French, German, Russian or Spanish). Theoretical subjects include history of literature and art, literary theory, translation, philosophy, cultural history and anthropology, linguistics, psychology, rhetoric or theatre. The teaching staff comprises prominent Czech writers, journalists and translators, as well as leading scholars (literary critics, linguists, philosophers, historians) with a professional background at various state universities.

The graduates obtain the degrees of BcA. (Bachelor of Fine Arts) or MgA, (Master of Fine Arts). Literary Academy has already produced some fine authors (for instance the prose writers Václav Chochola and Jana Šrámková or the translator Jana Kunová). Nevertheless, experience shows that our graduates can make use of their professional knowledge also in newspapers (including prestigious national dailies), TV and radio stations, publishing houses, advertising companies, in the area of public relations or as organizers of cultural and educational events.
FACTS AND FIGURES

Masaryk University

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

"Studying at Masaryk University is a challenge that is sure to lead to an unforgettable experience." Dalibor Jenne, MU student

Masaryk University (MU), located in Brno, was established in 1919, and with its nine faculties and almost 44,000 students is currently the second largest Czech university. The major aim of MU is to conduct education and research at the highest international level of excellence.

Noted for its dynamic development, MU offers degrees in a wide range of both traditional and newly-emerging disciplines, and provides outstanding facilities for study and work at its newly-built campus as well as in its recently reconstructed historical buildings in the city centre. The university has attained a leading position in teaching and the organization of studies as well as the use of advanced information technologies. In recent years it has consistently attracted record number of applicants for studies and has come to be recognized as one of the major Central European universities. One of the top priorities of Masaryk University is research. Its scientist and scholars have gained wide international recognition in the areas of the natural sciences, medicine and information technologies as well as in the humanities and social sciences, law and economics.

MU, however, also lays strong emphasis on the quality of teaching and student services. The fact that the university has been awarded two European quality labels – the ECTS label and the DS label - in the past two years, provides evidence that MU meets the standards that are required of the best European higher education institutions.

Masaryk University places a strong accent on international cooperation. Throughout the recent decades it has established solid and stable links with a number of prestigious foreign universities and research institutions. The university is also a member of many important international associations and networks. Another success of MU in the international field is its involvement in the European mobility programmes (e.g. Erasmus LLP, Erasmus Mundus etc.) as well as in various exchange programmes with Asia, Australia, and the Americas. Besides the Erasmus agreements, MU has connections with a large number of institutions around the world, which enables its students to select from a wide variety of mobility options throughout the course of their studies.

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

Mendel University in Brno

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

The Mendel University in Brno was established in 1919 as the first University of Agriculture in the Czech Republic. At the moment, the university has five faculties and one institute. The current student population is about 11,000 students. Some of the faculties offer their entire study programmes in English, while the others offer a wide range of subjects in English. Czech language courses are offered free of charge to all our international students. The university has got a long tradition in training of international students especially from the development countries.

As an important part of its activities, the University operates two enterprises, the School Farm in Zabcice and the Forest reserve in Krtný which are used for research and practical training. The University has a large botanical garden on its main campus which is also used for research work.

The University provides accommodation in the Halls of Residence for all international students. They have free access to the Library, wireless internet connection and well equipped Computer lab and Information centre. Many social events are organised for international students by the International Relations Office and the Gym and other sport facilities at the dormitory. Skiing courses for international students by the International Relations Office and various organizations are offered free of charge to all our international students. The University offers a wide range of subjects in English. Czech language courses are offered free of charge to all our international students.

As an important part of its activities, the University operates two enterprises, the School Farm in Zabcice and the Forest reserve in Krtný which are used for research and practical training. The University has a large botanical garden on its main campus which is also used for research work.

The University has more than 100 international partners round the world and more than 100 partner universities in Europe within the Erasmus programme for both students and faculty exchange and research work. The University is member of important international organisations such as EUA, ICA, EURAMA and co-operating networks of agricultural universities. All the faculties have adopted the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) for easy transferring of credits.

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

Faculties:
- Agriculture, Forestry and Wood Technology
- Business and Economics
- Regional Development and International Studies
- Institute of Life Long Learning
- Social Studies
- Sport Studies

Type of institution: Public

Degree programmes:
- Bachelor’s
- Master’s
- Doctoral

Tuition languages:
- Czech
- English

Total number of students:
- 11,000

Scholarships:
- For Bachelor’s and Master’s degree programmes: 5,400 USD/year
- For Doctoral degree programmes: 6,000 USD/year

Website:
- requirement@mendelu.cz

Contact:
- Zemědělská 1, 613 00 Brno
- krcova@mendelu.cz
- +420 545 135 113

**Mendel University in Brno**

**Founding year:** 1919

**Type of institution:** Public

**Degree programmes:** Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

**Tuition languages:** Czech, English

**Total number of students:** 11,000

**International students:** 500-400

**Scholarships:**
- The University normally gives financial support to talented but socially deprived students or other students based on their academic results.
- Range of tuition fees:
  - For Bachelor’s and Master’s degree programmes: 5,400 USD/year
  - For Doctoral degree programmes: 6,000 USD/year

**Admission success rate:** 91%

**Website:** requirement@mendelu.cz

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WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Metropolitan University Prague offers you an opportunity to study Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral Degree Programmes in International Relations & European Studies in English.

Drawing on international academic staff and students, the University provides a diverse academic environment which enables student learning beyond courses and seminars. The University is completely bi-lingual and all student support and services are offered in both Czech and English. We warmly welcome students and academic staff, of various backgrounds, to participate in a vibrant, energetic and friendly university environment situated in the heart of Europe.

International Relations and European Studies in English are dedicated to academic excellence. Our mission is to foster advanced comprehension of the events which shape current international and European relations. To that end, we have adopted an interdisciplinary approach – employing political and international relations theory, cultural theories, humanities, economics, law, history, and alternative approaches – to International Relations and European Studies.

International Relations and European Studies aims to maintain an international atmosphere in the department. Our academic staff and students come from a variety of countries – within the EU and abroad – adding to the diversity of our institution and the ideas, perspectives and cultures in our classrooms.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Moravian College Olomouc (MCO) is a private institution of higher education. The college provides a Bachelor’s study programme which students of the college can study either full-time (daily) or part-time (distance learning). MCO offers a choice of three fields of study: Company Economics and Management, Management and Economics of Public Service, Company Information Systems. The objective of the college is to train college-educated experts who will be able to communicate in a foreign language and work in the fields of economy and management, with emphasis on the administration and management of organisations, manufacturing and commercial enterprises, as well as specialists in public service sectors or other service fields.

MCO enhances the educational systems of the region with economics and management education which is further being developed based on theoretical foundations of law, social and mathematical sciences and information technologies. This approach does not only bring fast benefits to the region (education of managers) but also new incentives for research and development of both the MCO and co-operating universities and colleges. The objective of the MCO is to provide its graduates not only with theoretical knowledge but also with practical skills usable in enterprises as well as in public sector services.

MCO is a partner of the project The College Campus and the Innovation Centre Olomouc, the construction of which started by laying of the foundation stone on the 26th May 2010. The opening is scheduled for July 2011, when the Moravian College Olomouc moves to the new premises. There will be not only space for its expansion, but also for another partner educational institution. The company TESCO SW which focuses on developing and manufacturing of information and communication technologies will relocate to the new premises, too. The objective is to create a supportive environment for the emergence and development of innovative business entities and the commercialization of the results of their research activities. The key function of the innovation centre is to enhance the competitiveness and attractiveness of the Olomouc region. Therefore the cooperation with local partners from the fields of research and education, local authorities and small & medium-sized enterprises is essential. The plan for future is to cooperate with business entities with a similar focus on the international level.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The aim of the NEWTON College (NC) is to gradually create a prestigious Central European centre of higher education to educate future entrepreneurs and managers. This goal will be achieved by utilizing a choice of teaching methods, improving professional standards of the academic staff and cooperating on national as well as international projects.

The teaching methods used at NC have been deduced from techniques used by managers in private enterprise activities, as well as from management training techniques. These standard methods of instruction are supplemented with interactive educational methods that support not only theoretical comprehension of the subject matter, but also its understanding in a practical context, with regard to managerial skills, habits and intellectual approaches, which might be useful in management and free enterprise. A wide range of teaching methods is applied, such as monitored discussions, supervised self-study, interactive lectures, simulations, tackling case studies, coaching practice, etc. Furthermore, the academic staff focuses on the forming of mature, supportive relationships with students, which, in turn, encourage the student’s personality to develop.

The NC credit system is based on the ECTS (European Credit Transfer System), which takes into consideration recognized courses from other institutions. An essential part of the education plan of the Bachelor of Economics and Management programme comprises of compulsory work experience. This system allows full-time students to apply the knowledge they acquired during their studies, while at the same time, to gain some practical experience in a real company environment.

Student life
NC is situated in a state-of-the-art building of Savings Bank Academy. Modern and well-equipped classrooms and a library with a reading room as well as IT facilities are commonplace. Catering is provided by a canteen on the spot. Other facilities in the complex of NC are hotel accommodation, gym and sauna.

Cooperation
NC has been participating in the Erasmus programme since 2006. Our partners can be found in more than six countries. Credits gained abroad are fully recognized at NC, therefore students can spend up to one year of their study programme abroad.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Palacký University was founded in 1573 as the second university in the Czech Lands. Today it has more than 23,000 students at 8 faculties, covering fields from health sciences and medicine through modern and classical languages, philosophy, teacher training, sciences, law, and theology. Student population includes more than 1500 international students and 200 exchange students from all over the world. Palacký University is a modern institution of higher education, providing high quality teaching combined with research and supported by state of the art facilities – libraries, computer facilities, laboratories, etc. Housing is guaranteed for all international students in modern, fully equipped dormitories.

The language of instruction is Czech. The University, however, offers courses and programmes in other languages as well. The most popular among international students are the programmes in General Medicine (M.D.), Euroculture (Erasmus Mundus MA), Political Science and European Studies (MA, Ph.D.), Adapted Physical Activities (Erasmus Mundus MA), PhD. Studies in Sciences and Education, Central European Studies, Czech for Foreigners. This is not a complete list, Palacký University has much more to offer.

Student Life
Once a medieval capital of Moravia, Olomouc combines history, tradition and contemporary vitality. The town is big enough to provide all the convenience of city life including theatres, galleries, restaurants, and clubs, as well as sport facilities, shopping opportunities and good transportation network. Yet it is small enough to allow you actually meet people. And the student/citizen ratio is the highest in the country! With less than three hours drive to Prague, Vienna, Krakow or Bratislava, Olomouc lies in the very heart of Europe.

Cooperation
Palacký University participates in many European programmes of cooperation in education and research. It has nearly 500 Erasmus partner institutions in 27 European countries and 55 bilateral cooperation agreements with universities around the world.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Prague College of Psychosocial Studies was founded in 2001 when it obtained the accreditation from the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport for the full-time first degree study “Social work with orientation to communication and applied psychotherapy”. The school continues educational activities of the Educational Institute of Applied Psychology established in 1991 and previous thirty-year therapeutic and educational experience in health care, education and social care.

Basic information about offered academic programmes:

Social Work (Bachelor’s study programme): The study includes psychotherapeutic training for the field of social work. Curriculum contains, besides key subjects of social work and social politics, also wide-ranging education in psychology, sociology, philosophy, cultural anthropology and social communication. Knowledge and skills are developed in professional practice. The length of study is three years.

Psychology (Bachelor’s study programme): The objective of the study programme is education in basic subjects and practice that can be used for further specialization in humanity branches. In addition to theoretical disciplines there is as well a psychological practice and experience focused on self-knowledge and self-development as well as community experience and social and communication skills that enable students to penetrate into the profession through their own self-experience. The length of study is three years.

Clinical social work (Bachelor’s study programme): The College prepares social workers specialized in interpersonal communication. The study includes basic level of the psychotherapeutic training. Curriculum contains, besides key subjects of social work, social politics and practice, also wide-ranging education in psychology, philosophy, applied psychotherapy, cultural anthropology, communication and care for soul. Study is organized so that it enables not only gaining knowledge in a usual way but also through real experience in the practice. Students form a study community, where they learn self-knowledge, social orientation and sense of other people. The length of study is three years.

Social work (Master’s study programme): The study continues in developing knowledge and skills gained in the first degree study. The length of study is two years.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The Private College of Economic Studies Ltd. (PCES) is an independent tertiary education institution offering undergraduate and follow-up Master’s programmes (in Economics and Management) and lifelong learning schemes. PCES prepares qualified managerial staff and accountants in both full-time and part-time modes of study. Work placements in collaborating organizations, also supporting bachelor’s and master’s projects, are an integral part of the career-oriented curriculum. The accredited study programmes are regularly enhanced according to the needs of the job market. PCES graduates pursue their careers both in public and private sectors, the college ranking among top schools in graduates’ employability.

PCES takes care of academic culture and environment. Partnership between students and staff is based upon fair relationships and informal communication. PCES resource and counselling centres are available. Online e-learning aids are introduced, increasing students’ comfort. PCES facilitates students’ mobility, running a foreign internship programme within the EU Erasmus scheme.

Despite the tuition language being Czech, PCES enrolls foreign nationals provided they are proficient enough in the language. Two foreign languages are taught as compulsory core subjects. ECTS comparable system is applied and the graduates receive an English-Czech diploma supplement.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties: Psychosocial Studies
Founding year: 2001
Type of institution: Private
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Tuition languages: Czech
Total number of students: 180
International students: 3
Scholarships: Not available
Range of tuition fees: 2 700 – 3 000 USD/year
Admission success rate: 65%
Website: www.pvps.cz
Contact: Hekrova 805, 149 00 Prague 4
info@pvps.cz +420 267 913 634

Private College of Economic Studies

Faculties: Not divided into faculties.
Founding year: 2000
Type of institution: Private
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Tuition languages: Czech
Total number of students: 400
International students: 20
Scholarships: Not available
Range of tuition fees: 2 520 USD/year
Admission success rate: 80%
Website: www.svses.cz
Contact: Lindnerova 575/1, 180 00 Praha 8
info@svses.cz +420 284 840 027
**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

The Real Estate College - Institute of Frank Dyson obtained the state approval to operate as a higher education institution in 2007. Since 1997 the College has organized special courses focused on real estates and estimation.

The College offers 3-years Bachelor’s degree programmes called Property appraisal and Real Estate Agent, which is unique in the Czech Republic. The basis of the study is the connection between gained theory and its examination in practice. The programme includes economic, management, law and technical subjects too, as these are necessary for real estate specialists. Graduates of this programme can immediately follow their professional career in the field of real estates.

The College offers the following lifelong learning programmes: Appraisal, Estimation and other specific courses related to Estimation. Graduates can follow their professional career in the field of the real estates.

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

*Faculties:*
Not divided into faculties.

*Founding year:*
2007

*Type of institution:*
Private

*Degree programmes:*
Bachelor’s

*Tuition languages:*
Czech

*Total number of students:*
Please contact the higher education institution.

*International students:*
2

*Scholarships:*
Not available

*Range of tuition fees:*
2 577 USD/year

*Admission success rate:*
93%

*Website:*
www.fdyson.cz

*Contact:*
Masná 34, 602 00 Brno
posta@fdyson.cz
+420 548 213 977
**Silesian University in Opava**

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

- **Faculties:** Business Administration; Philosophy and Science; Mathematical Institute, Faculty of Public Policies in Opava
- **Founding year:** 1991
- **Type of institution:** Public
- **Degree programmes:** Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral
- **Tuition languages:** Czech, English
- **Total number of students:** 6,470
- **International students:** 18
- **Scholarships:** For accommodation
- **Range of tuition fees:** 2,200 – 6,200 USD/year (for programmes in English)
- **Admission success rate:** Depends on the study branch.

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

The Silesian University in Opava was established in 1991 and in the course of its relatively short existence. It has become an integral part of the Czech public universities system. Its structure comprises the Faculty of Philosophy and Science, the Faculty of Public Policy in Opava, the Mathematical Institute in Opava, the School of Business Administration in Karvina and the Extramural Centre in Krnov.

The work of the Silesian University has a national and international scope in science and research, especially in mathematics, physics, information science, history and other disciplines, and in the attractive branches available, e.g. a part- time course in creative photography. The university has contributed to the social consolidation of the region, and has played a role in shaping the intellectual potential that is essential for the development of the arts, sciences, and society.

The study programs are mainly in the Czech language except Physics, Economics and Management. We offer an intensive one-year Czech language course for foreigners in Extramural Centre in Krnov.

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**Škoda Auto University**

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

- **Faculties:** Not divided into faculties
- **Founding year:** 2000
- **Type of institution:** Private
- **Degree programmes:** Bachelor’s, Master’s
- **Tuition languages:** Czech, English
- **Total number of students:** 900
- **International students:** 50
- **Scholarships:** Not available
- **Range of tuition fees:** 3,060 USD/year
- **Admission success rate:** 100%

**WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?**

Škoda Auto University was founded in 2000 and is the only company-owned university in the Czech Republic.

In addition to the 12 business specialisations tutored in the Czech language we also provide 2 accredited Master’s degree programmes in English. All degree programmes are available in full and part time forms. We also offer a year long intensive Czech Language course aimed to allow admission onto Czech degree programmes.

**Reasons why to study with us**

- Sophisticated modern study programmes
- High-quality team of professional lecturers
- Direct presence of Škoda Auto specialists in the education process
- Extensive and quality language education leading to internationally recognised certificates
- Assurance of internship within the Škoda Auto Company and the Volkswagen Group
- Language courses and scholarships abroad
- Possibility to participate in interesting research projects
- Individual approach to students
- High probability of employment for graduates with Škoda Auto and its suppliers
- Excellent proportion of tuition to the overall level and extent of provided education

We currently cooperate with many foreign and domestic schools and institutions on different educational projects, short or long term exchanges, seminars and courses, conferences, and preparation for internationally recognized examinations, for example; Erasmus, Double Degree (FH Steyr).
FACTS AND FIGURES

Tomas Bata University in Zlín

Faculties:
Technology; Management and Economics; Multimedia Communications; Applied Informatics; Humanities; Logistics and Crisis Management

Founding year:
2001

Type of institution:
Public

Degree programmes:
Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

Tuition languages:
Czech, English

Total number of students:
13,000

International students:
800

Scholarships:
Merit, social and accommodation scholarships

Range of tuition fees:
2,000 – 3,500 USD/year (for programmes in English)

Admission success rate:
Depending on a degree programme, average value: 49%

Website:
www.utb.cz

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+420 576 032 238, +420 576 032 213

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Tomas Bata University in Zlín (TBU) is a dynamic university offering a wide range of courses at its six faculties. It is a centre of research and development, attaining the world’s highest standards in selected areas.

The University has been awarded the prestigious Diploma Supplement Label by the European Commission, which has raised its reputation among other higher education institutions in Europe. The University’s graduates are issued with the Diploma Supplement. It is recognized throughout Europe and its aim is to facilitate their position in the European labour market.

TBU aims to become one of the most prominent educational and research institutions in the world. Therefore, it has always been bilingual — English and Czech are of equal importance and considerable emphasis is laid on teaching English to both students and staff.

TBU is a member of numerous international organizations. Its membership in the European University Association, which associates over 800 universities from 46 countries in Europe, is one of the most prestigious ones. The University has also signed the Magna Charta Universitatum of Bologna, which among other things aims to support scientific development and freedom, and to remove boundaries when gaining and transferring knowledge.

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The Technical University in Liberec (TUL) is a dynamic university of medium size that joins forms of technical and university education. Within its six faculties and a university institute it offers a large spectrum of acquirements in technical, scientific, humanity as well as artistic and interdisciplinary study branches.

The University can also be proud of it’s good social, cultural and sports background. The University Sports Complex is available in addition to the excellent conditions available in Liberec, and its surroundings, for summer and winter sports. As one of few universities TUL can satisfy all demands of accommodation in modern hall of residence.

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WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Unicorn College is a private college, offering high-quality Bachelor’s degree education in Information and Communication Technologies, Economics and Management.

Our goal is to provide students with the capability to actively apply the knowledge they gain where it is required and to complement their knowledge with hands-on experience. We reach beyond the boundaries of traditional college and university education approaches by soberly assessing real-world requirements and incorporating them into our curriculum.

Our college employs a team of experienced lecturers and specialists with extensive experience, who will help you prepare for a successful professional career.

Unicorn College

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
Not divided into faculties.

Founding year:
2007

Type of institution:
Private

Degree programmes:
Bachelor's

Tuition languages:
Czech, English

Total number of students:
220

International students:
10

Scholarships:
Not available.

Range of tuition fees:
1,800 USD/semester (for study in English language), 1,500 USD/semester (for study in Czech language). Discounts: 4% markdown if the student pays at least 14 days before the semester starts; 10% markdown if the student pays for 2 semesters in advance.

Admission success rate:
90%

Website:
www.unicorncollege.cz

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+420 271 097 200

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Education for military professionals and experts is based on the latest knowledge in military science, research and development at both national and international levels and internal research. Students learn military skills and form leadership abilities in military formation courses, elementary training, and advanced military courses. The students’ training accentuates the formation of personality qualities of commander – manager, military economist or medical doctor, theoretical and practical qualification, including physical fitness and mental resistance. Graduates are ready to serve in the units deployed abroad in overseas missions or NATO operations.

The school has changed profoundly and updated its curriculum plans to achieve the European Standard of developed universities through introducing the three-stage system of education pursuant to the Bologna declaration. The University has adopted the credit system for the syllabus. The university is a member of the FEANI - graduates can apply for the EUR ING title. The school is also an owner of Erasmus University Charter.

Students life

All students can live in the dormitories located very close to the school in double rooms. Internet connections are provided. They may take three meals a day. The school has got a large library. The significance of the electronically published books has been rising especially due to the distance forms of learning.

University of Defence in Brno

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
Economics and Management; Military Technology; Military Health Sciences; NBC Defence Institute

Founding year:
2004

Type of institution:
State

Degree programmes:
Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

Tuition languages:
Czech, English

Total number of students:
1,500

International students:
100

Scholarships:
Not available.

Range of tuition fees:
Please contact the higher education institution.

Admission success rate:
75%

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University of Defence in Brno
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of Economics, Prague (VSE) is the leading university in the field of management and economics in the Czech Republic. VSE cooperates with more than 130 universities worldwide. Founded in 1953, it currently has six faculties. It was awarded the ECTS as well as the Diploma Supplement Label by the EU Commission in 2009. In the EDUNIVERSAL international selection of business schools VSE was “1st Business School in the Eastern European Zone” in 2008 and 2009.

VSE offers six Master’s programmes taught in English. Most of them are run in cooperation with partner universities where part of the study also takes place. These are:

- International Business – Central European Business Realities
- International Management (CEMS MIM)
- Economics of International Trade and European Integration
- Economic and Regional Studies of Latin America
- Finance and Accounting for Common Europe
- International and Diplomatic Studies

Many services are offered by the university, i.e. dormitory, library, canteen, computer laboratory, WiFi connection, etc. International students are offered the possibility to pair up with a Czech student who will help them to settle more easily into the new environment. During the whole academic year, Buddy System organizes trips, meetings, parties and other activities for students.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of New York in Prague (UNYP) was established in cooperation with the State University of New York, Empire State College. UNYP offers students the opportunity to obtain an internationally recognized American and European Bachelor’s Degree. UNYP is officially accredited and recognized by Czech and International Institutions.

The undergraduate program is based on the American style of university education and classes are taught in English. The goal of the program is to introduce students to a range of academic disciplines, to prepare them to master the techniques of critical thinking, effective communication, analysis and research, and acquire the knowledge necessary for a professional specialization in a major field.

UNYP has gained a reputation for offering high quality educational programmes. Today, over 600 students from over 60 countries are learning together and interacting with an international group of instructors.

Student life
UNYP offers a variety of activities and support services for students. Student services include: International Student Office, Career Office, Accommodation, Counseling Centre, Library, Computer rooms, Student Council, Debating Society, Psychological Society, Sport Activities.

Cooperation
UNYP also offers a range of Master’s and MBA programs in cooperation with universities and institutes in the United States and Europe. A Master’s degree program in Professional Communication and PR is offered in cooperation with La Salle University (USA). With Institut Universitaire Kurt Bosch (IUBS) in Switzerland (www.iubch.ch), UNYP offers MBA programmes.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of Ostrava was founded in 1991. The foundations of the University were laid as far back as 1533 with the opening of the Higher Pedagogical College in Opava, an institution training teachers for the second level of primary schools. When Ostrava’s teacher training college (for future primary school teachers) was closed down, training was concentrated at a single workplace – the Pedagogical Institute in Ostrava, established in 1959. In 1964 the Institute gained the status of an independent Faculty of Education, which offered four-year teacher training degrees for the first and second levels of primary schools. With this step, Ostrava acquired a higher educational institution whose staff began to participate in academic and cultural life not only regionally, but nationwide. Later, the Faculty was strengthened by the introduction of a five-year degree training teachers for the third level of the education system. The establishment of the University of Ostrava represented an organic continuation of this tradition, and marked the culmination of long-lasting efforts to create a university with a strong humanities base to serve a densely populated region experiencing the wide-ranging consequences of its long-term focus on heavy industry.

Some study programmes available at the university cover teacher training; others are focused on different aspects. Teacher training at the university takes the form of two Bachelor’s study branches and a two related teacher training branches. Programmes not based on teacher training offer professional qualifications in a wide range of scientific fields and disciplines, with Bachelor’s, follow-up Master’s, Master’s and Doctoral studies.

Student life
The University of Ostrava offers outstanding conditions for studying. Students can use the university library, laboratories, computer rooms, halls of residence as well as sport facilities.

Cooperation
The University of Ostrava cooperates with a wide range of institutions and universities in Ostrava, the region, the Czech Republic and abroad – including 37 prestigious contractual agreements on cooperation with universities in Europe, Asia and America. The University is a member of the Conference of Rectors of the Silesian Universities, which also includes the Silesian University in Opava, the University of Wroclaw, the University of Silesia in Katowice, the Karol Adamiecki University of Economics in Katowice, and the University of Opole.
WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of Pardubice (UPa)
• is a modern and dynamic public higher education institution in the heart of Europe
• extends a sixty year long tradition of higher education in the City of Pardubice
• broadens the universal scale of scientific disciplines
• creates an open international community
• prepares specialists for successful careers in a wide variety of professions

UPa offers more than 60 study programmes with 130 study specializations. International cooperation is maintained with 200 universities and research institutions in 40 countries. Individual University departments participate in international programmes, take part in student and staff exchange programmes, and share experience in many projects, organize prestigious international events. Around 75 international agreements have been concluded with foreign higher education institutions for international cooperation in the field of education and research, and more than 240 within the EU Erasmus Lifelong Learning educational exchange Programme.

UPa offers its students a quality background for their studies. They can find the University Library (199 000 volumes), Halls of Residence, Dining Hall, modern Gym including several computer labs and WiFi internet directly on the campus.

The modern facilities of the University campus is located near the centre of the city with a population of one hundred thousand (that is renowned not only for its gingerbread, first-league hockey, horse racing, and other sports), and create excellent conditions for the all-around development of young people. Pleasant surroundings and many sports and cultural life opportunities, in combination with quality and demanding study programmes, are comparable to those of leading European universities at the dawn of the third millennium.

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

Study in the heart of Europe! The University of South Bohemia in České Budějovice (USB) is a public institution of advanced learning. Its study programmes for the Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral degrees include educational, scientific, research, innovative, artistic and other creative activities which are developed in various branches of studies of Economics, Humanities, Pedagogy, Natural Sciences, Theology as well as Fine Arts, Agriculture, Social and Health Studies.

From the long-term point of view the USB profiles itself as a research-based university with activities oriented at matters mainly concerning Natural Sciences, Agricultural Sciences and Humanities. A significant element of scientific research activities of this university is close cooperation with the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic. Accredited study programmes form a broader educational basis for 170 study branches with a range of specializations in a full-time as well as a part-time study form.

Cooperation

The international educational and research cooperation of the USB and institutions abroad is geographically varied - it reaches from neighbouring Austria and Germany, over other European countries to America, Asia, Africa and Australia. Some research projects are performed in polar areas of the Arctic and the Antarctic. The Centre of Biological Technologies was finished in the year 2005. A biocombustor of excellent parameters is being used for the support of innovations throughout the borders of the Czech-Austrian-Bavarian lands developing small and medium-sized businesses. A Scientific/Technical Park is forming on the university campus with the cooperation of the Regional Government and the Statutory City.
University of Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Sciences Brno

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Sciences Brno offers a unique range of specializations.

Its Faculty of Veterinary Medicine is the only tertiary-level higher education institution of its kind in the Czech Republic, offering a comprehensive education in the diagnostics, therapy and prevention of infectious and non-infectious diseases of animals. Both teaching and research benefit from the sophisticated equipment in the faculty’s clinics as well as the outstanding facilities at the university farm at Nový Jičín in central Moravia. The work of the faculty is linked to that of the Faculty of Veterinary Hygiene and Ecology, which focuses on such areas as the veterinary protection of public health with regard to food safety, microbiology and chemical composition of foodstuffs as well as toxic elements in foodstuffs and the environment.

Cooperation with public authorities and the private sector is also one of the major concerns of the Faculty of Pharmacy, which in addition to training of undergraduate pharmacists carries out extensit research in the fields of pharmaceutical chemistry and the study of medicine from natural sources, using the facilities of its state-of-the-art laboratory for the structural identification of biologically active substances synthesized and isolated from natural resources.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties: Veterinary Medicine; Veterinary Hygiene and Ecology; Pharmacy
Founding year: 1918
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral
Tuition languages: Czech, English
Total number of students: 2,950
International students: 103
Scholarships: From Ceepus, Erasmus, Freemovers programmes
Range of tuition fees: 6,700 – 7,600 EUR/year for programmes in English
Admission success rate: Please contact the higher education institution.
Website: www.vfu.cz
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University of West Bohemia

WHY THIS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION?

The University of West Bohemia (UWB) is the seventh largest public higher education institution in the Czech Republic in terms of its student population. Over the period of its existence, UWB has won a reputation as a renowned centre of higher education learning and research activities. Important milestones in the UWB development include a considerable increase in the number of research projects and doctoral students, the development of lifelong learning activities and the establishment of international contacts including UWB’s participation in numerous educational and research projects of the European Union (LLP, EEA). Moreover, UWB has a number of bilateral co-operations with universities in e.g. Asia, Canada and the USA.

Graduates of UWB can find career opportunities at all levels of management of private companies and state institutions, namely in the following sectors: production, commerce, non-profit organizations and infrastructure, research institutions, design and construction companies, in public administration and institutions of regional administration, in services and consultancy, and in educational and cultural institutions.

UWB also supports and cooperates with various local student organizations such as AESE, IAESTE, AEGEE and ESN.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties: Art and Design; Applied Sciences; Economics; Education; Electrical Engineering; Health studies; Law; Mechanical Engineering; Philosophy and Art
Founding year: 1991
Type of institution: Public
Degree programmes: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral
Tuition languages: Czech, English, German
Total number of students: 18,898
International students: 433
Scholarships: UWB offers Interstud scholarship in study programmes in Czech language for very talented students from East European countries.
Range of tuition fees: 6,900 USD/year (this sum has only informative character; 5,300 EUR is a standard tuition fee collected for study programmes in English)
Admission success rate: 41.8%
Website: www.zcu.cz, www.international.zcu.cz
Contact: International Office
Univerzitní 20, 306 14 Plzeň
study@rek.zcu.cz
+420 377 635 799
FACTS AND FIGURES

Faculties:
Economics; Civil Engineering; Mechanical Engineering; Electrical Engineering and Computer Science; Mining and Geology; Metallurgy and Materials Engineering; Safety Engineering

Founding year: 1849

Type of institution: Public

Degree programmes:
Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctoral

Tuition languages:
Czech, English

Total number of students: 22,512

International students: 1,085

Scholarships:
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