Ph.D.
Programmes in English and other foreign languages
Academic year 2019/2020

CHARLES UNIVERSITY
Admission procedure

Choose a study programme

Visit the faculty website – www.cuni.cz/faculties
Information on specific admission requirements and application procedures.
Ph.D. applicants are strongly encouraged to contact potential supervisors ahead of time:
www.cuni.cz/phdadvisors

Application form
Online: www.cuni.cz/applicationform
May also be obtained from the faculty website.

Recognition of previous education
Contact the faculty regarding the recognition

Confirmation of application
Wait for an invitation letter to the entrance exam (if applicable).

Visa for up to 90 days
Prospective students with visa duty are advised to apply for a short-term visa to be able to enter the Czech Republic and take the entrance exams.

Entrance exams

Letter of acceptance

Long-term visa or residence permit
for the purpose of studies (if needed)

First year registration
at your faculty’s study affairs/international office.
Ph.D. Programmes

Doctoral Studies are one of the priorities of Charles University, with the objective of training students in independent research work and providing them with the appropriate qualifications in the given academic discipline. Doctoral study programmes usually take four years and finish by a doctoral examination and a public defense of a doctoral (dissertation) thesis. Successful graduates of doctoral studies obtain the academic title of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.).

Applicants for postgraduate programmes are admitted based on the submission of a certificate of graduation from their Master’s studies and an entrance examination. More specific entry requirements are set by the Dean of the respective faculty in accordance with the law.

Some of the Ph.D. programmes will also be open for applications in January 2020. Check the faculty website for up-to-date information.
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Ph.D. Programmes

These programmes are open to those who have graduated from a university or other institute of higher education with a master’s degree in Protestant Theology (or a related discipline) and thus provided evidence of their academic abilities. Applicants must also have passed examinations in at least one of the languages important for European theology, other than their mother tongue (i.e. German, English, French, Italian, or Spanish). Ph.D. programmes can be studied in either Czech, English, or German.

Postgraduate doctoral studies consist of research activity leading towards a written dissertation, the broadening and deepening of the student’s knowledge in their chosen field of study, and the mastering of the techniques of academic work. Students are also required to attend certain lectures, seminars or convocations, pass an exam in a second language, write various papers, reviews, or literature searches, pass three exams in theological disciplines and have articles published in specialist journals. The student’s individual study plan is worked out together with the student’s supervisor. Students who meet these requirements and successfully submit and defend a dissertation are awarded the title of Ph.D. by Charles University.

Postgraduate doctoral studies (PDS) at the Protestant Theological Faculty are offered in the following fields:

- Biblical Studies
- Historical and Systematic Theology
- Practical and Ecumenical Theology and Theological Ethics
- Philosophy of Religion
The normal length of postgraduate doctoral studies is four years. The maximum duration of a study course is eight years.

**Application procedure**
Potential applicants should first contact the appropriate Head of Department (see the website) for the field in which they wish to write their dissertation, giving details of the topic for the dissertation and the language in which they will study. The Department will then consider if there is an appropriate person available to act as a supervisor. If so, and if possible in consultation with the prospective supervisor, the applicant should submit a written application that includes the following:

- application form
- curriculum vitae, including a detailed description of theological studies undertaken so far
- certified copy of Master’s degree
- if possible, recommendation from a previous academic supervisor or teacher
- outline of the proposed dissertation project, including the topic, field, methods and aim of research (2–3 pages)

Entrance examinations then usually take place in June, consisting of an interview with members of the Faculty’s Inter-Disciplinary Council for Postgraduate Studies, in which the applicant defends the outline of his or her proposed dissertation project.

**Application deadline**: 30 April

**Annual tuition fee**: 25,000 CZK (approx. 950 EUR)
Ph.D. Programmes
The Hussite Theological Faculty offers the following Ph.D. programmes in English:
- Hussite Theology (4 years)
- Jewish Studies (4 years)

Hussite Theology – Characteristics:
The doctoral study programme “Theology”, the branch of study “Hussite theology” prepares students for independent scientific research and independent creative activities in the area of theology. The branch of study enables students to specialize according to his or her individual study plan. The branch of study provides knowledge of hermeneutical approaches and applies them in the contemporary theological discourse and also in the dialogue with confessional approaches of other theological systems. The subject of the studies is a theological compendium interpreted in the course of the Hussite theology. The goal of the studies is a scientific preparation of first-rate experts that are capable of independent scientific work in the area of theology. The branch is simultaneously oriented to awareness of the fact that from the very beginning there is an effort to new understanding and new interpretation of fundamental theological notions. Thereby the branch is in context with other concepts that were overcoming a metaphysical conception of the world. It deals with the key questions of the Christian belief and Christ presence in this world. Students of the branch have got an opportunity to learn how the questions are practically manifested in current social science of the church as well.

Jewish Studies – Characteristics:
The doctoral study programme “Theology”, the branch of study “Jewish studies” prepares students for independent scientific research and independent creative activities in the area of Jewish studies. The branch of study enables students to specialize in their profession according to his or her individual study plan. The branch of study develops intellectual legacy of Jewish studies and applies that in the contemporary religious situation of Judaism. The subject of the studies is Jewish history and culture, synagogue liturgy, Jewish religious philosophy, rabbi literature, reading and interpretation of selected texts of Babylonian Talmud and Hebrew language of rabbi texts. The goal of the studies is a scientific preparation of first-rate experts that are capable of independent scientific work in the area of Jewish studies. The branch is not nationally or confessionally defined but interprets Judaism as a religious phenomenon in the historical contexts overlapping into present problems. Learning about spiritual values of Judaism enables students to deepen their understanding of Christianity, primarily its ethics.

Application deadline*: 30 April  
Annual tuition fee**: See the faculty website
First Faculty of Medicine (Prague)

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🌐 http://en.lf1.cuni.cz/doctoral-studies-
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The First Faculty of Medicine in Prague implements postgraduate scientific education in cooperation with the Second Faculty of Medicine, Third Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine in Pilsen and Faculty of Science, as well as with biomedically oriented institutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences and Research Institutes of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic.

Ph.D. Programmes are available as either full-time or part-time studies in:
* Biochemistry and Pathobiochemistry
* Biomechanics
* Biomedical Informatics
* Cell Biology and Pathology
* Developmental and Cell Biology
* Experimental Surgery
* Human Physiology and Pathophysiology
* Immunology
* Medical Biophysics
* Molecular and Cell Biology, Genetics and Virology
* Neurosciences
* Parasitology
* Pharmacology and Toxicology
* Preventive Medicine
* Bioethics
* Microbiology
* History of Medicine
* Imaging Methods in Medicine
* Specialization in Health Service – Addictology
* Psychology – Medical Psychology and Psychopathology

All information on the admission procedure for doctoral (Ph.D.) degree study programmes, forms, required documents (enclosures to the application) etc., is available from the faculty website.

How to apply:
* First, select the appropriate field from the courses offered and select and contact a supervisor
* Submit the electronic application with all enclosures and technicalities
* The interview shall take place during June of the same year

Application deadline*: 30 April  Annual tuition fee**: See the faculty website
The Second Faculty of Medicine provides postgraduate doctoral studies together with the First Faculty of Medicine, the Third Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Science, the Faculty of Physical Education and Sports and Institutes of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic oriented to biomedicine and departmental research institutes of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic.

The aim of the postgraduate course is the preparation of the graduates of the Faculty for individual work in basic and specialised research work in medicine. The concept for study courses and the requirements in each field are set by the Specialty Council, which is composed of specialists from all participating institutions. The programme is open to university graduates from the Czech Republic and abroad. Courses can be either full-time or part-time. Both forms take at least four years.

Please note that all prospective doctoral students must first contact the relevant department in order to locate his/her supervisor.

Ph.D. Programmes in Biomedicine – study fields, either full-time or part-time studies in:

- Biochemistry and Pathobiochemistry
- Biomechanics
- Biomedical Informatics
- Cell Biology and Pathology
- Experimental Surgery
- Human Physiology and Pathophysiology
- Imaging Methods in Medicine
- Immunology
- Kinesiology and Rehabilitation
- Medical Biophysics
- Microbiology
- Molecular and Cell Biology, Genetics and Virology
- Neurosciences
- Pharmacology and Toxicology
- Preventive Medicine

Application deadline*: 30 April  
Annual tuition fee**: 2,000 CZK (approx. 80 EUR)
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🌐 https://www.lf3.cuni.cz/3LFEN-83.html  
_hat Contact person: prof. MUDr. Romana Šlamberová Ph.D. – Vice-Dean for Postgraduate Study and Student Research Activities

The Third Faculty of Medicine provides postgraduate scientific education in cooperation with the First Faculty of Medicine and Second Faculty of Medicine, the Faculty of Physical Education and Sports, as well as with Institutes of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic oriented to biomedicine and departmental research institutes of the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic. The study programmes are open to university graduates from the Czech Republic and abroad.

Ph.D. Programmes are available as either full-time or part-time studies in:
- Anthropology
- Biomechanics
- Cardiovascular Science
- Biochemistry and Pathobiochemistry
- Cell Biology and Pathology
- Experimental Surgery
- Human Physiology and Pathophysiology
- Immunology
- Medical Biophysics
- Molecular and Cell Biology, Genetics and Virology
- Neurosciences
- Pharmacology and Toxicology
- Preventive Medicine

How to apply:
- Please note that all prospective doctoral students must first contact the relevant department in order to locate his/her supervisor.
- Application has to be submitted to the contact person before 30 April of the appropriate year.
- The interview shall take place during June of the same year.

**Application deadline**: 30 April  
**Annual tuition fee**: No tuition fee
Postgraduate doctoral studies in medicine are split between the Faculty and the faculty hospital. The Faculty offers accredited doctoral courses in a number of medical disciplines.

**Ph.D. Programmes are available as either full-time or part-time studies in:**
- Anatomy, Histology and Embryology
- Internal Medicine
- Pathology
- Physiology and Pathophysiology

All study programmes are of four years’ duration.

**Entrance examination**
The entrance examination takes the form of an interview focusing primarily on technical and language skills, as well as the readiness of candidates for independent scientific work in their chosen area of research interest.

**Interviews comprise:**
1. Specialised topic (0–40 points)
2. Examination in the area of interest (0–30)
3. Publications, lectures (0–10 points)

**Admission requirements:**
1. Completed university master’s degree programme, not later than the date of the beginning of the academic year (1 October).
2. Submitting an application according to the requirements of the Charles University Faculty of Medicine in Pilsen by 30 April.
3. Interest in work in selected subject of research and ability to perform scientific work.
4. Passing of entrance interview with at least 70 points.
5. Recognition of your university (master’s) diploma.

**Application deadline**: 30 April  
**Annual tuition fee**: see the faculty website
Postgraduate doctoral studies in medicine are split between the Faculty and the Faculty hospital. The Faculty offers accredited Ph.D. studies in a number of medical disciplines

Programmes offered in English
● Anatomy, Histology and Embryology
● Physiology and Pathological Physiology
● Medical Chemistry and Biochemistry

All study programmes last for 4 years. All information on admissions, form and contents of admission examinations etc., can be found on the faculty notice board and website.

The application form is available at the aforementioned website.

Enclosures (more information on the website):
● professional curriculum vitae
● officially verified certification of completed master degree
● list of scientific publications
● short information of intended study topic (can be discussed with a supervisor)
● other documents specified by the appropriate Scientific Board.

Application deadline*: 30 April  Annual tuition fee**: No tuition fee
This Ph.D. programme is open to graduates holding a Master's degree in pharmacy, biomedical science, medicine, chemistry, biology or chemical technology. A good command of spoken and written English is a requirement. See the website for further requirements.

**Ph.D. programmes (4 years):**
- Bioanalytical Methods
- Bioorganic Chemistry
- Clinical and Social Pharmacy
- Pathobiochemistry and Xenobiochemistry
- Pharmaceutical Analysis
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Pharmacognosy and Nutraceuticals
- Pharmacology and Toxicology
- Pharmaceutical Technology

**Application deadline**: 30 April  
**Annual tuition fee**: No tuition fee
One branch of doctoral study in English will be opened in the 2019/2020 academic year.

**Theoretical Legal Sciences – Law and Legal Theory in European Context**

**Guarantor of the programme:** prof. JUDr. Jan Kuklík DrSc., dean of the Faculty of Law

**Field specification**
The aim of the field of Ph.D. study programme „Theoretical Legal Sciences – Law and Legal Theory in European Context“ is creative research activity and education of specialists and academic operatives with scientific approach to solving theoretical and practical problems in the field of single or multiple scientific legal subjects. Graduate of Ph.D. study programme „Theoretical Legal Sciences – Law and Legal Theory in European Context“ will gain higher qualification in specific legal subject and deepen his or her knowledge by using practical experience to create its theoretical basis.

**Entrance examination:**
- **Regular date**: 5 June 2019
- **Alternative date**: 18 June 2019
- **Form of the exam**: oral

**Form of study**: full-time or combined

**Application deadline**: 30 April

**Annual tuition fee**: 600 EUR

**Duration of study**: generally 4 years

**Requirements for successful completion of the programme:**
Passing of 5 exams (1 foreign language, Introduction to Law in Central European Perspective, Ph.D. Seminar – Law and Legal Theory in European Context, Academic Writing, State Doctoral Examination, ) and writing of the doctoral thesis and its successful defence.

**Organisation and requirements of the entrance examination:**
The maximum total score to reach at the entrance examination is 60 points. The overall number of points achieved by an applicant is composed of the number of points reached within individual parts of the entrance examination. The range of points in individual parts of the entrance examination is as follows:

a) **Debate over the presented project of a dissertation** (0–20 points);

b) **Bonus points awarded for an applicant’s understanding of the content of study regarding:**
   (a) his or her plan to be involved in scientific projects and research of the expected training unit (e.g. academic department), and in international research cooperation;
   (b) linking his or her dissertation topic and outline with the research profile of his or her doctoral student training unit; (c) consent of a selected supervisor to supervise the applicant’s project of the intended dissertation (0–10 points).
c) Assessment of the recent academic and research activities of an applicant (0–10 points).

d) Proving the knowledge resulting from studying relevant scientific literature and the academic knowledge within the scope of the final state examination in the respective subject field taken during the master’s programme of study. An applicant for study in the English language should show his or her knowledge of the respective literature and the knowledge relevant for a wider context of his or her dissertation project (0–20 points).

The minimum overall number of points for an applicant to attain at the entrance examination in order to be admitted to study is 40 points.

**Application particulars**

**Elements of application – electronic format**

The application including all required documents to be attached to it must be sent through the electronic Student Information System not later than at 23:59:59 o’clock on 30 April 2019. After the application has been electronically filled out, it is necessary to send it out by clicking the “send” (“odeslat”) button, otherwise the application is not submitted and as such becomes invalid. The requisite documents which constitute a component part of an electronic application are as follows:

- an outline of the dissertation project in the extent of 5–7 text pages;
- a structured CV;
- a list of professional literature concerning the field of study; and
- an overview of past professional activities (e.g. works published, practical trainings and internships, etc.).

The applicant is obliged to choose from a list of supervisors for a given field and programme a potential supervisor and indicate the choice in the application. The list of supervisors for individual programmes and fields of study is available in the publicly accessible part of the website of the Faculty.
If an applicant graduated from a university or similar higher education institution abroad one of the following documents must be delivered to the Faculty by surface postal services:

- a document certifying the general recognition in the Czech Republic of the foreign university education; such document should have been obtained under ss. 89 and 90 of the Higher Education Act (so-called "recognition");
- a document proving the study at, and graduation from a foreign university where such study and graduation is regarded in the Czech Republic as equal without any further administrative procedure in compliance with international obligations of the Czech Republic (a university diploma and supplement issued in the Slovak Republic, Poland, Hungary, or Slovenia); or
- a foreign document proving the study at, and graduation from a foreign university, which will be considered and recognized by the Faculty itself (for the recognition fee of CZK 690).

Detail information regarding the proving of the regular completion of study in the master’s programme for graduates of foreign universities are available at the webpage of the Faculty, section “Prospective Applicants”, subsection “Recognition of Foreign Education”.

Elements of application – paper format
In the case of a paper format of an application, the above listed appendices along with the authenticated copy of a university diploma and its supplement are to be submitted in the paper format along with the paper application to the following address:

Univerzita Karlova, Právnická fakulta, Referát doktorského studia
Nám. Curieových 7, 116 40 Praha 1, Czech Republic

Application Fee
The submission fee is CZK 540 in the case of an electronic application and acts related to the admissions procedure, and CZK 590 for the paper format of an application and acts related to the admissions procedure, to be paid in compliance with conditions set out in Dean’s Measure No. 11/2018.

Period for verifying the fulfilment of the requirements for admission
The deadline for verifying the fulfilment of the requirements for admission for applicants who are to pass their final state examination and complete their master’s programme of study at the Faculty in Autumn 2019, as well as for applicants whose submitted application for recognition of foreign education will not have been decided by 30 September 2019, is 22 October 2019. The same deadline is set for applicants who will have completed their master’s programme of study between 1 and 30 September 2019, including cases where the required education is to be substantiated under section 48 (3) of the Higher Education Act.
The Faculty of Arts of Charles University was established in 1348. For centuries, right up to the middle of the 19th century, every student at the university had to graduate from it. It can be said that its history is, in a sense, the history of the university as a whole. Since being given its independence at the beginning of the last century, the Faculty of Arts has focused on its principal concerns – the humanities. Today the Faculty is one of the largest faculties at Charles University.

Ph.D. programmes offered in English and other foreign languages (only in a part-time/combined form):
- Anglophone Literatures and Cultures
- Asian History and Culture
- Classical Philology
- Egyptology
- History / General History
- Ibero-American Studies
- Logic
- Medieval and Neo-Latin Studies
- Musicology
- Romance Literatures
- Sociology
- Translation Studies / Traductologie (in English and French)
- Slavic Philology (in Russian)

The standard length of doctoral degree programmes is four years, in some programmes (where specified by the specifications relating to the subject) three years. Students follow their individual study plans; they graduate by defending their doctoral dissertation and passing the final state examination, and – upon graduation – are awarded the title of “doctor” (Ph.D.).

More details on the doctoral programmes at CU FA, study regulations and plans of study for all the accredited programmes are available at https://www.ff.cuni.cz/home/applicants/phd-programmes/ and on the websites of the respective departments and institutes of the Faculty.

Application deadline*: 30 April  
Annual tuition fee**: 2,000 CZK (approx. 80 EUR)
Doctoral study programmes train highly specialised staff for science and research activities. Particular terms and conditions will be specified in the study agreement between the dean of the faculty and the student before the study programme begins. Students may apply for admission to Ph.D. study programmes in English to the term given by the conditions of the admission procedure.

Ph.D. programmes
Either full-time or part-time studies:

- Analytical Chemistry
- Animal Physiology
- Anthropology and Human Genetics
- Applied Geology
- Biochemistry
- Botany
- Cartography, Geoinformatics and Remote Sensing of the Earth
- Demography
- Developmental and Cell Biology
- Didactics of Chemistry
- Ecology
- Environmental Science
- General Issues in Geography
- Geology
- Immunology
- Inorganic Chemistry
- Macromolecular Chemistry
- Microbiology
- Modeling of Chemical Properties of Nano- and Biostructures
- Molecular and Cell Biology, Genetics and Virology
- Organic Chemistry
- Parasitology
- Philosophy and History of Science
- Physical Chemistry
- Physical Geography and Geoecology
- Plant Anatomy and Physiology
- Regional and Political Geography
- Social Geography and Regional Development
- Theoretical and Evolutional Biology
- Zoology

Application deadline*: 30 April  
Annual tuition fee**: See the faculty website
Faculty of Mathematics and Physics

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Mathematics and physics have been taught in Prague since at least 1348, when Charles University was founded. From the outset, the university was for a long time the only institution where the natural sciences were not only a subject on the curriculum, but also an area of active research. Today, research in physics, mathematics and computer science at the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics represents a significant proportion of research at Charles University as a whole. To apply for one of our doctoral study programmes you must hold or be working towards a master’s diploma and have the necessary abilities for research. The latter consists mainly of the knowledge of the chosen field, English language, and the ability of independent creative work as well as teamwork. The assessment of these abilities is based on the documents submitted with your application and on the entrance examination, if the latter is not waived (see below). The entrance examination has two parts – examination in the expertise in the field and examination in the English language.

Ph.D. Programmes (either full-time or part-time studies):

Mathematics

- Algebra, number theory, and mathematical logic
- Computational mathematics
- General Questions of Mathematics and Computer Science
- Geometry, topology, and global analysis
- Mathematical Analysis
- Probability and statistics, econometrics and financial mathematics

Computer Science

- Computational linguistics
- Computer Science - Software Systems
- Computer Science – Theory of Computing, Discrete Models and Optimization
- Computer Science – Visual computing and computer games
- Theoretical Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence

Physics

- Atmospheric physics, meteorology and climatology
- Biophysics, chemical and macromolecular physics
- Mathematical and computer modeling
- Particle and Nuclear Physics
- Physics Education and General Problems of Physics
- Physics of Condensed Matter and Materials Research
- Physics of nanostructures and nanomaterials
- Physics of Plasmas and Ionized Media
- Physics of Surfaces and Interfaces
- Physics of the Earth and Planets
- Quantum Optics and Optoelectronics
- Theoretical Physics, Astronomy and Astrophysics

Please note that all prospective students must contact the board for their particular field of study first in order to find their PhD. supervisor. Information about programmes, contact persons, and detailed admission requirements are available on the faculty website.

Application deadline*: 30 April  Annual tuition fee**: See the faculty website
Characteristics of studies

Doctoral studies are organised over 4 years and are intended for candidates who have properly completed their Master’s degree programme. Studies are realised in 2 forms – full-time and combined. Full-time study assumes the learner involvement of student in the activities of the department realising the study programme. Activities consist of research or teaching activities according to the nature of the department. Combined study assumes contact with the student’s workplace on a purely educational basis. The doctoral programme envisages independent research and creative activity. The artistic-pedagogical branches are aimed at independent theoretical and creative activity. Studies are realised in English and are therefore conditional on sufficient knowledge of the English language to enable the candidate to perform the aforementioned activities, including the taking of exams and writing of a dissertation.

Entrance exam: Candidates demonstrate their suitability for doctoral studies at the entrance examination. The exam takes the form of a debate about the project research. Candidates present their own ideas and thorough knowledge of the research field. Any additional requirements in particular branches are mentioned in information about those branches.

Research project: The expected length of the text is 10 pages. Projects should include in particular: motivation of the applicant to research the topic in question, the state of the research in their chosen field, the results of the candidate’s own activities in their chosen field, aims, hypotheses, methods, anticipated results, bibliography, design of individual stages of dissertation with respect to the length of study.

Consultations: Due to the nature and content of study, the applicant can consult the theme, the structure of project and possibilities for its processing with chairs of doctoral boards. Contacts are listed in information about the individual branches of study.

Programmes offered in English and German (4 years):

- Art Education (English)
- Czech and Czechoslovak History (English)
- Deutsche Sprache und Literatur mit Didaktik (Deutsch)
- Didactics of Chemistry (English)
- Didactics of Mathematics (English)
- Education (English)
- Educational Psychology (English)
- Musical Theory and Education (English)
- Mathematics Education (English)
- Philosophie (Deutsch)
- Philosophy (English)
- Special Education (English)

Applicants should submit the following documents:

- Application form
- Professional curriculum vitae
- List of publications by the applicant
- Officially verified certification of Master’s degree
- Proposal for a research project

Application deadline*: 30 April  
Annual tuition fee**: 2,000 CZK (approx. 80 EUR)
Faculty of Social Sciences

Ph.D. Programme in Economics (FTS/PTS)
Charles University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Economic Studies
Opletalova 26, 110 00, Prague 1, Czech Republic

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Ph.D. Programme in Political Science
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Student Services Office: Ms. Kateřina Vovsová
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Ph.D. Programme in International Relations
Charles University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Political Studies
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Ph.D. Programme in Sociology
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Student Services Office: Ms. Denisa Šmejkalová
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The program is realized in collaboration with the Institute of Sociology, The Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic and is focused on scientific inquiry, independent creative work, and deepening of theoretical knowledge. The programme prepares the students for a scientific career and teaching in the field of academic as well as applied research. The graduates can work at universities, research institutions, private companies, and other areas where high level of theoretical and methodological education in sociology and social research is required.

Ph.D. Programme in Public and Social Policy
Charles University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Sociological Studies
U Kříže 8, 150 00 Prague 5, Czech Republic

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vera.tomandlova@fsv.cuni.cz
Student Services Office: Ms. Denisa Šmejkalová
denisa.smejkalova@fsv.cuni.cz

The programme prepares students for basic and applied research and teaching in the academia as well as other types of activities requiring a high level of theoretical and methodological education in PSP. Graduates are prepared to teach public and social policy at all levels as well as to pursue qualified research work. Relevant jobs are available, above all, at colleges in the Czech Republic and abroad. Further options include qualified policy analysis and policy design in diverse fields (family, education, etc.) as analysts or advisers; work in politics, public administration, or the civic sector.

Application deadline*: 30 April  Annual tuition fee**: 500 EUR
Postgraduate doctoral studies are academic/scientific in character and can be pursued in the accredited fields of kinanthropology and biomechanics.

**Ph.D. Programmes (either full-time or part-time studies):**

- **Kinanthropology (4 years)**
- **Biomechanics (4 years)**

Please note that all prospective students must contact the board for their particular field of study first in order to find their PhD. supervisor. A list of programmes and contact persons is available on the faculty website.

**Kinanthropology**

The study programme is realised within the framework of the kinanthropology field of science. Kinanthropology is a multidisciplinary field of science that deals with the complex effects of intentional and spontaneous physical activity on human personality development in the bio-psycho-social context and in conditions of physical education and sports, physiotherapy, health physical education including their effective management.

The aim of doctoral studies in kinanthropology is the scientific preparation of experts to ensure their ability in regards both to independent research, scientific and pedagogical activities and to practical applications of acquired knowledge and skills in accordance with the needs of practice. It is an interdisciplinary study programme that requires the variability of approach to task solving reflecting the entire thematic spread of this scientific discipline. A system approach is accen-
tuated during the course of study with an emphasis on the specificity of kinanthropology, both in terms of methodology and content. Doctoral studies in the kinanthropology programme are highly individualised, based on the type of the dissertation thesis project and also on the field of undergraduate studies. The preparation programme is selected to develop the student’s theoretical and methodological readiness in relation to his/her dissertation specialisation with the aim of systematic scientific activity in the chosen research problem.

**Biomechanics**

Biomechanics is an interdisciplinary field of science which, based on the knowledge of anatomy and biochemistry, deals with mechanical structure and mechanical behaviour of living systems and their mutual mechanical interactions. A biophysical and engineering methodological approach to task solving is supported there by a great degree of knowledge of biological nature. Research is carried out at various levels of distinction, ranging from microbiomechanics (cell level) to living macro-systems (e.g. human biomechanics). Applications of biomechanics can be encountered in a number of areas of science and professional activities. Biomechanics conceived in this manner can be utilised not only in the field of basic research but also in a wide range of professional activities – e.g. in rehabilitation medicine, ergonomics, forensic and biomedical engineering, sports, etc. The Training Department of Charles University and the Czech Academy of Sciences enables interdisciplinary education in doctoral studies on a wide scale and directed towards the specific application. Student’s degree programme is highly personalised in accordance with the needs of the chosen topic and focus. Emphasis is placed on students’ independent research activity within the context of team work co-operation during the course of study. Experimental facilities are provided by the laboratories of the specific training departments. Publishing activities are implemented in renowned scientific journals. An integral part of doctoral studies is active participation in congresses.

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**Application deadline**: 30 April  
**Annual tuition fee**: see the faculty website
The Faculty of Humanities (FHS) is Charles University’s youngest faculty. Originally founded in the early 1990s as the Institute for Liberal Education, it was elevated to the rank of a faculty in 2000, the vision is that it would offer study programmes at the Bachelor, Master’s and PhD levels in various humanities and social science disciplines not yet established at CU. The FHS quickly gained a reputation as a progressive school with innovative study programmes and teaching methods. Approximately 3,000 students study within the Faculty. Both in education and research, FHS focuses on a wide range of human sciences. As part of Charles University, it enhances interdisciplinary dialogue between philosophy, social sciences, and humanities on the one side, and natural and medical sciences on the other. The Faculty is involved in a range of research and education projects which enjoy international participation.

Postgraduate study programmes in English:
- General Anthropology (4 years)
- Longevity Studies (4 years)
- Contemporary European Cultural History (4 years)
- Historical Sociology (4 years)
- Social Ecology (4 years)
- Semiotics and Philosophy of Communication (4 years)

Postgraduate study programmes in French:
- Philosophie allemande et française (3 années)

Postgraduate study programmes in German:
- Deutsche und französische Philosophie (3 Jahre)
- Europäische Kulturzeitgeschichte (4 Jahre)

Application deadline*: 30 April  Annual tuition fee**: See the faculty website

Social Ecology
The current epoch of Anthropocene requires understanding complex interactions between the socio-economic and biophysical system of our planet, understanding the significance of these relationships and their risks. The study program is unique because of its multi- and interdisciplinarity: it is based mainly on sociology, economics, environmental science and also on international relations, political science, pedagogy, statistics, informatics and others, and it aims at a stronger interconnection between environmental and social sciences and subjects. Its nature and content, i.e. its approaches to exploration and topics, are close to the newly advancing discipline of "sustainability science".

Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-717.html

General Anthropology
The broadly conceived doctoral study programme of (general) anthropology focuses on human behaviour, action and cognition both in their biological (genetic) aspects and evolutionary, so-
cial and/or environmentally conditioned variability. Its general anthropological approach stems from an assumption that (a) it is only a variety and variability of behaviour, action and cognition that can speak of the character of human existence, and that (b) it is necessary to speak of this existence by way of a synthetizing combination of biological-empirical, cultural-interpretative and reflexively philosophical methods. It is supported by the (Anglo-American) conception of integral general anthropology as a discipline studying both biological and socio-cultural aspects of human beings conceived as complex organisms endowed with language, thought and culture (endowed with a capacity of semiotic, symbolical representation). This assumption is broaden by certain aspects of (German and French) philosophical and historical anthropology. Such conception of (general) anthropology takes into account both the diversity of human cultures and common characteristic features of humanity (both partial evolitional processes and general qualities of biological and cultural evolution of man). Doctoral students choose one of the four specializations of this study programme: a) philosophical anthropology, b) historical anthropology, c) psychological anthropology and human ethology, or d) social and cultural anthropology.

Further information: [https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-718.html](https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-718.html)

**Longevity Studies**

Longevity Studies is an integrated study of humanities, social, health and other applied sciences. It responds to the demand for expertise in issues related to longevity and population aging, with emphasis on the need for professional and scientific solutions and the use of knowledge in different areas of human activity. The study of the field enables a deeper and wider understanding of the contexts and challenges associated with the prolonging human age in the context of further changes in society and prepares for qualified search for answers and solutions to theoretical and practical questions and ethical contexts. It responds to ongoing demographic changes, not only in terms of population aging (gerontology), but also to prolonging the lives of people with disabilities and chronic morbidity and other specific groups. The program is interdisciplinary. It is methodologically based on social sciences, sociology, social and cultural anthropology, and public health, but also uses methods of other disciplines. On the practical and strategic level, it corresponds to the strategy of active and healthy aging of the UN and WHO. The program is based on the experience of the Center for Longevity and Long-Term Care CELLO, its international cooperation, such as the Global Longevity Center Global Network (as the only representative of the CEE countries), project solutions, including major international projects (FRAM, INDUCT, PALLIARE). CELLO follows new trends in modern gerontology, as well as solving issues related to the longevity, which are not yet solved in doctoral studies at the university.


**Historical Sociology**

The program focuses on the problematics of long-term social processes and trends which have a significant impact on the life of contemporary societies. Among the key themes are the questions of modernization and social change, globalization tendencies and influences, integration and disintegration processes, continuity and discontinuity relationships, religious and cultural plurality, global and local interconnections, identification of social development’s chances and risks, analyses of conflict situations and possibilities of their reconciliation. In the Program’s framework, thematically colorful and diverse research on the macro-, meso-, and micro-social level is pursued with the basis in historical and sociological methods. On the program’s background, a graduate is able to design a research project, gather and evaluate archival or new original empirical data, analyze, interpret and explain them, and offer practical solutions of the investigated problems. It is possible to make a concrete picture of the historical sociology’s focus by checking out the papers published in the Historical Sociology journal.

Further information: [https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-715.html](https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-715.html)
Contemporary European Cultural History
The curriculum of Contemporary European Cultural History is the only historical field in the Czech Republic that expresses the theme of cultural history at the European level. It is not just a narrow sense of the history of culture, because the cultural component is perceived today as an essential aspect of many other areas of historiography: for example, the role of cultural discourse in political history, the question of political struggles for cultural domination or, on the contrary, autonomy. Czech society has great deficits in knowledge and alignment with the knowledge of its contemporary history in European comparison. Thus, the study program of Contemporary European History wants to contribute to the strengthening of the European accents of "civic historical literacy". The program is designed in such a way that its graduate is ready for independent research work in the field and is able to work professionally in the academic world. The "Europeanity" of accreditation is emphasized by emphasizing the linguistic competence of the applicants, and the curriculum includes the obligation to study abroad.
Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-719.html

Semiotics and Philosophy of Communication
Communication is one of the determining manifestations of life of contemporary society. We have become part of communities that are formed in communication processes taking place in reality as well as in digital networks. The study program Semiotics and Philosophy of Communication focuses on the study of communication strategies, their preconditions and their effects. The peculiarity of this program will appear in connection with the emphasis placed on the study of visual components of communication. This way we take into account the role that nowadays belongs to images in contemporary communication. It is also important to point out that the analysis of the semiosis, mediation and communication processes is extended to expose the manipulative character of some media discourse procedures which contributes to the specific features of this program.
Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-723.html

Philosophie allemande et française
Ces études doctorales de troisième cycle sont ouvertes sous la forme interne et externe. La filière « philosophie allemande et française » s'oriente sur la philosophie classique allemande (à partir de Kant), la réaction à celle-ci, puis la phénoménologie (tout particulièrement celle de Husserl) ainsi que sa réception et son développement en France, de la philosophie de la vie et de l'existence, de l'herméneutique, de l'ontologie phénoménologique, jusqu'aux modifications actuelles de la phénoménologie et aux derniers développements de la philosophie française contemporaine. Elle permet l'étude de leurs conditions historiques et de leurs influences mutuelles dans l'espace intellectuel et culturel européen. Cette filière propose ainsi une préparation exigeante et professionnelle à la recherche et au déploiement des approches philosophiques actuelles qui se sont formées en Europe centrale et en France et qui influencent fondamentalement les débats sur la scène philosophique internationale. Le programme d'études du doctorant inclut des activités de publication, la participation à des colloques et le passage des examens dans les matières obligatoires et facultatives, au choix selon le manuel d'accréditation. Les études s'achèvent par l'examen doctoral d'État et par la soutenance de la thèse de doctorat, après lesquels l'étudiant obtiendra le titre Ph.D.
Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-722.html

Deutsche und französische Philosophie
Das PhD Studien-Programm Deutsche und französische Philosophie, spezialisiert auf die deutsche klassische Philosophie, philosophische Anthropologie und gegenwärtige französische Philosophie, ihre gegenseitigen Verhältnisse im intellektuellen und kulturellen
Europäische Raum, bietet anspruchsvolle Basis für die Forschung und selbständige Entfaltung aktueller philosophischer Ansätze an, die sich im Mitteleuropa und französisch sprechenden Ländern profiliert haben und die sowohl auf die gegenwärtige Szene im westlichen Ausmass im Allgemeinen, als auch insbesondere auf die gegenwärtige tschechische Philosophie grundsätzlichen Einfluss haben.

Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-716.html

Europäische Kulturzeitgeschichte
Der Lehrplan der europäischen Zeitgeschichte ist der einzige historische Bereich in der Tschechischen Republik, der das Thema Kulturgeschichte auf europäischer Ebene zum Ausdruck bringt. Es geht nicht nur um ein enges Gespür für Kulturgeschichte, denn die kulturelle Komponente wird heute als wesentlicher Aspekt in vielen anderen Bereichen der Geschichtsschreibung wahrgenommen: zum Beispiel die Rolle des kulturellen Diskurses in der politischen Geschichte, die Frage der politischen Auseinandersetzung mit der kulturellen Dominanz oder im Gegenteil der Autonomie. Die tschechische Gesellschaft hat im europäischen Vergleich große Wissensdefizite und eine Anpassung an das Wissen ihrer Zeitgeschichte. Das Studienprogramm für europäische Zeitgeschichte will somit dazu beitragen, die europäischen Akzente "staatsgeschichtliche Bildung" zu stärken. Das Programm ist so konzipiert, dass der Absolvent für unabhängige Forschungsarbeiten in diesem Bereich bereit ist und in der akademischen Welt professionell arbeiten kann. Die "Europäität" der Akkreditierung wird durch die Betonung der Sprachkompetenz der Bewerber unterstrichen, und der Lehrplan beinhaltet die Verpflichtung, im Ausland zu studieren.

Further information: https://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-939.html
Ph.D. in Economics Programme (4 years)

The Center for Economic Research and Graduate Education – Economics Institute (CERGE-EI) offers a Ph.D. programme of doctoral studies in theoretical and applied economics. The CERGE-EI Ph.D. in Economics programme is intended for outstanding students who desire rigorous graduate education in economics at a modern, international institution with the goal of pursuing an academic career or entering a high-level position in an international organisation, central bank, government ministry or the private sector. The Social Science Research Network (SSRN) ranks CERGE-EI in the top 2 percent of more than 1,500 research institutions worldwide. Research Papers in Economics (RePEc) ranks CERGE-EI in the top 5 percent of economic departments/research institutions worldwide.

The PhD programme consists of two years of coursework (Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Statistics/Econometrics, Academic Writing + specific elective courses), typically followed by two years of supervised dissertation research. The working language of the institution is English. CERGE-EI encourages its students to conduct part of their dissertation research at partner institutions in Western Europe and North America, as well as to participate in collaborative research projects in other countries.

Further information: [https://www.cerge-ei.cz/phd-admissions/program-details](https://www.cerge-ei.cz/phd-admissions/program-details)
Eligibility for study
Students are expected to have a good background in mathematics, as well as sufficient English language skills to fully understand the study material. Undergraduate training in economics is welcomed, though not essential. Applicants are required to hold a Master’s degree (or equivalent) or expect to complete their Master’s studies by June 2018.

How to apply
Students should submit the on-line application form and upload a CV, motivation letter, verified copies of diplomas and transcripts, and other relevant documents. Two letters of recommendation are required.

For complete list of application materials please visit the Institute’s website at: https://www.cerge-ei.cz/phd-admissions/phd-how-to-apply

Documents are evaluated by the Admissions Committee of CERGE-EI. Applicants may be directly admitted or invited to the summer Preparatory Semester to receive intensive training in intermediate Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Mathematics. The Ph.D. programme begins in September every year. Approximately 30 students are usually offered admission to the Ph.D. programme each year.

Application deadline*: 31 March
Annual tuition fee**: students admitted and enrolled in the PhD in Economics program do not pay any tuition.

Further information: https://www.cerge-ei.cz/phd-admissions/tuition
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