Summer Schools 2021
Dear friends, students and colleagues,

Last year we all experienced the COVID–19 pandemic, which had a fundamental impact on our lives, affecting both our physical and mental health, as well as our social and professional lives.

Just like the Czech society, Czech universities also had to adapt to the situation by transferring to online tuition. Due to the long-lasting restrictions and lockdown, significant parts of study – meeting other students, common lectures, discussions with fellow students, teachers etc.– were largely transferred to a virtual environment. Medical students were suddenly exposed to the demanding, stressful reality of their future profession, for which they had not yet been prepared through years of study. Here, I would like to again express my gratitude to them for immediately accepting this role, without hesitation and with admirable commitment – be it in testing centres, on Covid wards, or by helping out in hospitals, retirement homes, etc. However, I would like to thank not only those who chose to study the medical professions but also all the other students and colleagues who volunteered to help in places where it was, and still is, most necessary in our society.

Even now, as I am writing these words, the situation has not entirely returned to normal, and it is clear that this transition will not all be easy. Nonetheless, I dare say that, despite the circumstances that may rightly provoke feelings of depression, anxiety or futility, we must not succumb to despondency, but should continue to look ahead, seek new solutions and new opportunities in the current situation, believe in a better future, and perhaps take joy in the small things life has to offer.

For this reason, too, Charles University has, like every year, prepared a brochure on its summer schools, which offer a range of engaging topics for study and the opportunity to learn something new, expand your horizons, or consolidate your knowledge of things that interest you. Some of them will be carried out online, with some of them we believe the situation will allow them to be in person. We also offer traditional courses and programmes focusing on Czech culture, history and language, such as the Czech Language and Culture Course, the Czech Studies Programme, the Summer School of Slavonic Studies etc., or new courses for this year, Czech for Compatriots and International Summer School for Young People (online), as well as topics that reflect on the current situation, for example the online Spring University 2021: The Future of Europe? From Lockdown to Recovery, or Europe and the (Post) Covid-19 World. But, because the world around us is not, and will not, be just about the pandemic, however much it may seem that way now, our summer schools also deal with other issues that affect us – for example the Summer School of Forest and Landscape Restoration of Post-Mining Sites, the School of Immunodeficiency as well as the now-traditional Summer School of Experimental Surgery. I firmly believe that you will find something that suits you among our range of courses and that the Charles University summer schools will give you a new impulse for your future studies or career.

I wish you a fantastic summer full of exploring, inspirational meetings and shared experiences!

prof. MUDr. Tomáš Zima, DrSc., MBA
Rector of Charles University
SUMMER SCHOOL OF SLAVONIC STUDIES

Organising faculty/department: Institute of Czech Studies, Faculty of Arts, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme: The Summer School of Slavonic Studies provides a snapshot of the current situation in Czech and Slavic studies with a particular focus on the Czech language and Czech history, literary theory and literary history. Its practical language courses, optional seminars, workshops and lectures are led by the teaching staff of Charles University and researchers from the Czech Academy of Sciences. The students attend a practical course in the Czech language with five classes (5 x 45 min.) every day. It is the 64th edition this year.

An integral part of the Summer School of Slavonic Studies is also its cultural and social programme organised for students at all language levels. The cultural programme is offered in the afternoons and evenings and at the weekends, participation is voluntary.

Date: July 23 – August 20, 2021
Registration fee: CZK 3,000
Application deadline: June 15, 2021
Tuition fee: CZK 37,500 (registration fee, tuition, accommodation, meals, excursions and cultural activities) / CZK 19,500 (registration fee, tuition, excursions and cultural activities)
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Web: http://lsss.ff.cuni.cz/en
EAST AND CENTRAL EUROPEAN STUDIES (ECES) SUMMER PROGRAMME

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Arts, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The ECES programme is a liberal arts programme offering courses from different fields such as Art and Culture, Literature, History, Politics and Economics, Sociology and Psychology, and Czech Language for beginners. The Summer programme gives students who cannot study in Prague for an entire semester the opportunity to join us for a short-term, credit-bearing academic experience. The Summer programme is a condensed version of the ECES Semester programme and includes many of the same elements, including introductory Czech classes, field trips and emergency assistance. The courses are taught in two sessions from June to August and students can attend both or either of them. The ECES programme also offers students the opportunity to join us for a 3.5-week programme in January called J-Term. Some of the ECES courses are now available ONLINE. For more information, see the programme website.

Dates:
Session A: June 14 – July 31; 7 weeks
Session B: June 14 – July 10; 4 weeks
Session C: July 7 – July 31; 4 weeks
Application deadline: May 15, 2021

Tuition fee:
Session A (7 weeks): USD 3,570
Session B and C (4 weeks): USD 1,980 (+ accommodation fee)
Contact: eces@ff.cuni.cz
Web: http://eces.ff.cuni.cz
CZECH STUDIES PROGRAMME

Organising faculty/department:
International Office + Institute of Czech Studies, Faculty of Arts, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The Czech Studies Programme is a rich and sophisticated programme intended for non-Czech speakers who are interested in the Czech language and Czech literature, history and culture. Each semester consists of around 240 45-minute lessons (20 lessons per week). However, the programme consists of much more than just classroom learning. We also provide cultural activities, excursions, Czech Language Certificate Exams with ALTE licence and preparation for them. These exams are included in the tuition fee.

Dates:
**Academic year**: September 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022
**Winter semester**: September 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022
**Summer semester**: February 1 – June 30, 2022

Application deadline:
**Academic year + winter semester**: August 16, 2021
**Summer semester**: January 15, 2022

Tuition fee:
Registration fee – CZK 4,000 (paid with the application form)
1st semester – CZK 36,000, 2nd semester – CZK 33,000
Academic year – CZK 69,000

Contact: czechstudies@ff.cuni.cz
Web: http://czechstudies.ff.cuni.cz
BORIS NEMTSOV SUMMER SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND SOCIOCULTURAL STUDIES

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Arts, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
This Summer School for young journalists, bloggers, and media activists from Russia, Ukraine, post-Soviet countries, Europe, and the United States is held annually from mid-July to early August in Prague at the CU Faculty of Arts. The three-week intensive training programme includes lectures and seminars presented by leading journalists and media experts, practical classes on the basics of video and photography, and content distribution on the Internet. Participants will also take part in lectures on the basis of economics, sociology, contemporary art, visits to the most significant media in the Czech Republic, as well as topical documentary projections. Students will be involved in independent journalistic projects, which will be discussed at special seminars with professional editors. The language of instruction is Russian.

Date: July 12 – 30, 2021
Application deadline: April 1, 2021
Tuition fee: No tuition fee
Contact: summerschool@nemtsovfund.org; marek.prihoda@ff.cuni.cz
Web: https://summerschool.nemtsovfund.org/en/about-the-program
ETHNOMUSICOCOLOGY
SUMMER SCHOOL: ROMANI MUSIC
AND MUSIC CRITICISM

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Humanities, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
One-week course is organised in the framework of the Khamoro Romani Festival at the Faculty of Humanities, Charles University, Prague, and is intended for international university students.

The morning lectures will introduce the main areas in which Roma participated in the creation of distinctive music styles with a primary focus on the music of the Roma in Central Europe. Moreover, the topics of music representation and music in connections to social memory will be discussed within the context of music(s) of the Roma. Two workshops on music criticism will be held in the afternoons. In the evenings, students will attend festival concerts.

Date: May 30 – June 5, 2021
Application deadline: March 15, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 100; reduced fee available (see application form)
Contact: zuzana.jurkova@post.cz; study@fhs.cuni.cz
Web: http://fhs.cuni.cz/FHSENG-674.html
SCHOOL OF IMMUNODEFICIENCY

Organising faculty/department:
Second Faculty of Medicine

Short description of the school/programme:
During a 3-day course, young scientists who do their research in the field of immunology will gain a wide range of information on primary immunodeficiencies. The school will be run by experts in research and clinical practice from both the Czech Republic and abroad. The venue is in an attractive location of Kutná Hora.

Date: October 14 –16, 2021
Application deadline: April 12, 2021
Tuition fee: CZK 1,000
Contact: anna.sediva@lfmotol.cuni.cz
Web: https://imunologie.lf2.cuni.cz/en
SPRING UNIVERSITY 2021: THE FUTURE OF EUROPE? FROM LOCKDOWN TO RECOVERY (ONLINE)

Organising faculty/department:
Institute of International Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The Online Spring University 2021 benefits from the extensive experience that the Institute of International Studies has gained from organising its English-language programmes and its Spring and Summer Universities every year since 2009. This Online Spring University will provide students with a broad understanding of the most significant impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Europe and the EU. The key objective is to analyse how Europe’s prospects are currently being shaped in a time of profound global socio-political change, and the context for a future post-coronavirus restart. During the course, students will improve their research, communication, and argumentation skills and learn how to use them in the online environment. The online course’s interdisciplinary approach combines teaching methods such as live online lectures, group discussions and projects, individual assignments and independent research.

Date: April 12 – 16, 2021
Application deadline: March 31, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 300 (tuition, online reading materials, individualised feedback on the participant’s attendance, and an official certificate confirming attendance)
Contact: spring.university@fsv.cuni.cz
Web: https://spring-university.fsv.cuni.cz
SUMMER UNIVERSITY 2021: EUROPE AND THE (POST) COVID-19 WORLD (ONLINE)

Organising faculty/department:
Institute of International Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The Online Summer University 2021 benefits from the extensive experience that the Institute of International Studies has gained from organising its English-language programmes and its Spring and Summer Universities every year since 2009. This online course will provide students with a broad understanding of the most significant impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and its multifaceted implications, which are currently shaping the dynamics of international relations in these turbulent times. Special emphasis is given to Europe’s prospects in a time of global socio-political change and the context for a future post-coronavirus restart. Students will improve their research, communication, and argumentation skills and learn how to use them in the online environment during the course. The online course’s interdisciplinary approach combines teaching methods such as live online lectures, group discussions and projects, individual assignments and independent research.

Date: September 13 – 17, 2021
Application deadline: September 1, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 300
Contact: summer.university@fsv.cuni.cz
Web: https://summer-university.fsv.cuni.cz
SUMMER SCHOOL OF EXPERIMENTAL SURGERY

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Medicine in Pilsen, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The Summer School of Experimental Surgery is regularly held under the auspices of the Faculty of Medicine in Pilsen, Charles University, Czech Republic. This course aims at medical students to whom it offers a chance to learn and practice essential surgical skills and procedures on experimental animal models in an intensive hand-on training. You will also learn important issues in experimental surgery, anaesthesia, radiology etc. This course is organised by a very experienced team of experimental surgery in a top-class experimental surgical facility – come and see for yourself!

Date: July 5 – 16, 2021
Application deadline: February 28, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 1,600
Contact: Jitka Černohousová
E-mail: info@sses.eu Phone: +420 608 792 488
Web: http://www.sses.eu
SCHOOL ON CATALYSIS: EXPERTIMENTAL TECHNIQUES IN CATALYSIS

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Science, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
After the successful School of Catalysis 2019, which was devoted to general aspects of catalysis, the School of Catalysis 2021 will focus in more detail on some experimental techniques applied in catalysis and particular aspects of catalysis (homogeneous, heterogeneous, industrial). The course takes place in a beautiful baroque chateau Liblice.

Date: May 24 – 26, 2021
Alternative date: October 4 – 6, 2021 (if needed)
Application deadline: March 15, 2021
Tuition fee: CZK 6,500 or EUR 260
Contact: jiri.cejka@natur.cuni.cz; school@katalyza.cz
Web: http://www.school.katalyza.cz
SUMMER SCHOOL OF FOREST AND LANDSCAPE RESTORATION OF POST-MINING SITES

Organising faculty/department:
Faculty of Science, Environmental Centre of Charles University, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
Participants of this summer school will be presented with theoretical principles of ecosystem restoration and their application to post-mining sites. Special attention will be paid to the post-mining ecosystem restoration (what we want to achieve, from safe and sane to the functional ecosystem and societal consensus) in the framework of the closure of a mine. The development of individual components of ecosystem, namely soil and vegetation, in the context of developing major types of the terrestrial ecosystem will also be part of the discussion. The principles will then be demonstrated during a field trip excursion.

Date: June 8–12, 2021
Application deadline: April 30, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 50 (due to local accommodation and food services, final fee will be collected on the site)
Contact: frouz@natur.cuni.cz
Web: www.repom.eu
CZECH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE COURSE

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
This unconventional summer course of Czech for foreigners is held under the patronage of the Minister of Culture of the Czech Republic. It is intended for participants interested not only in the Czech language but also in Czech culture and life in the Czech Republic. Students will have the great opportunity to meet personalities from Czech cultural and social life.

Date: July 19 – August 13, 2021
Application deadline: July 11, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 925 (registration fee, tuition, course material, course assistance, extracurricular programme)
Contact: cestina.kultura@ujop.cuni.cz
INTENSIVE ENGLISH COURSE

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The intensive English course is offered to general public aged 16+. Participants come from all around the world with the aim to improve their English and get to know Prague and central Europe. This General English course is intended for those whose English is at minimum A2 level. With the help of qualified teachers, participants are expected to improve their accuracy, enrich vocabulary and develop their skills, especially speaking and listening. The programme includes motivating and enjoyable lessons focused on encouraging students to speak and enhance their cultural awareness. An additional programme of excursions, sightseeing tours of Prague, nearby castles and UNESCO sights is offered in the afternoons and at the weekends.

Date: July 12 – 30, 2021
Application deadline: June 30, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 350/50 classes, EUR 410/60 classes, EUR 580/90 classes
Contact: zdenka.prazakova@ujop.cuni.cz
CZECH LANGUAGE PROGRAMME
SUMMER FLAS PRAGUE

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The course focuses on practical as well as academic language and communication. We strike a balance between spoken and written communication, as well as between reading and listening skills, without overlooking grammar, which corresponds to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages as well as to American Language Framework ACTFL. Individual student support is an integral part of the programme, as well as consulting students’ projects and their presentation. The course contains 140 hours of language instruction on intermediate level and will be presented in the e-learning form.

The programme is intended for US undergraduate and graduate students who are in receipt of a summer fellowship from the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship programme.

Date: June 7 – July 16, 2021
Application deadline: May 31, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 1,600 (tuition and course materials)
Contact: sarka.vasickova@ujop.cuni.cz
INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (ONLINE)

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
This summer school is for young people (14–22) from all over the world. It is intended for those students who are planning further studies or to live in the Czech Republic, who started studying as foreigners in Czech secondary schools and need to improve their Czech language, who have Czech parents or grandparents and want to speak with them in their native language. Intensive teaching (6 hours a day) is supplemented by lessons in which students learn about the geography of the Czech Republic, important monuments, famous personalities of science, culture and history. The course will be taught in MS Teams with lecturers experienced in online teaching.

Date: July 12 – 30, 2021
Application deadline: June 30, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 800
Contact: svetlana.kleisnerova@ujop.cuni.cz
SUMMER SCHOOL OF SLAVONIC STUDIES

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The summer school is intended for applicants from the general public interested in the Czech language, ranging from beginners to advanced students. It combines an intensive course of the Czech language with a wide variety of lectures, cultural and sports activities.

Date: July 5 – 30, 2021
Application deadline: June 30, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 860 (tuition, course materials, extracurricular programme)
Contact: lsss@ujop.cuni.cz
CZECH FOR COMPATRIOTS (ONLINE)

Organising faculty/department: Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme: The course is aimed at compatriots living abroad who want to learn the language of their ancestors or refresh their knowledge of Czech. It is designed for students from beginners to advanced. The intensive Czech language programme is complemented by lectures on Czech culture and history.

Date: August 2 – 13, 2021
Application deadline: July 15, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 500
Contact: krajane@ujop.cuni.cz
SYMPOSIUM ON TEACHING CZECH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (ONLINE)

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The 14th Symposium on Teaching Czech as a Foreign Language offers seminars and workshops on various topics in teaching Czech for foreigners and language teaching in general. The course is based on the flipped classroom model; participants study the course material first and then work on and discussed the topics in the classroom settings. The course consists of 10 seminars, and the main themes this year are phonetics, grammar and online teaching. The course is aimed at lecturers from Czech (Slavic) departments and lectureships abroad.

Date: June 7 – 11, 2021
Application deadline: May 5, 2021
Tuition fee: EUR 140/CZK 3,500 (registration fee, tuition)
Contact: moc@ujop.cuni.cz
Web: http://ujop.cuni.cz/kurz/metodicke-symposium
CZECH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE METHODOLOGICAL COURSE FOR COMPATRIOTS

Organising faculty/department:
Institute for Language and Preparatory Studies, Charles University

Short description of the school/programme:
The Methodological Course for Compatriots is intended for lecturers, teachers and other participants from compatriot communities who teach or plan to teach Czech outside the Czech Republic. The seminars and workshops focus on the specifics of teaching Czech as a foreign language and on the development of knowledge in the methodology and didactics in this area. An important part of the course is also the exchange of experiences from various foreign institutions and centres.
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