The Right Step Forward

EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS, PRAGUE
CZECH REPUBLIC, CAMPUS PRAGUE
PRAGUE

- More than 1,2 million inhabitants
- Historical centre of Prague included in the UNESCO World Heritage List
- [https://www.prague.eu/en](https://www.prague.eu/en)
- Political, cultural, and economic centre of the Czech lands for more than 1,100 years
- Hundreds of concert halls, galleries, cinemas and music clubs
- Famous festivals: Prague Spring International Music Festival, Prague Proms Festival, Febiofest, One World, Prague Food Festival and many others
- Unique architecture; gothic, baroque, renaissance and art nouveau buildings on one place
- Connected with many legends and myths, including famous Golem legend (Jewish Town)
- Favourite living place of Kafka, Dvořák, Mozart and many other famous personalities

CZECH REPUBLIC

- Located in the heart of Europe
- Official language: Czech
- Currency: Czech Crown – CZK (koruna česká)
- 1 EUR = app. 26 CZK, 1 USD = app. 23 CZK
- Time zone: GMT +1
- Capital: Prague (Praha)
- Famous for glass industry, hundreds of breweries and spas
- 12 UNESCO World Heritage sites
- Castles and chateaux all around the country
- Beautiful nature sceneries, including many national parks and preserved places, mountains and lowlands with vineyards

Infrastructure

- Easy connection to other European cities (by plane, train, coach)
- Safe, reliable and well-arranged transport system including underground, trams, buses and trains

I really loved the “International Management in English” course. We studied a lot about the cultural differences. It was my best subject here!

Brian, Emory University
FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT THE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

Course Information
- Tuition of all courses in the Exchange Programme located in Žižkov campus (Prague centre)
- Courses on graduate and undergraduate level
- Great variety of courses in different fields thanks to possibility to choose courses from all 5 faculties (+ an intensive course in Jindřichův Hradec campus): economics, finance, accounting, international business, diplomacy, marketing, management, logistics, informatics, statistics, public administration, political science, international relations, communication, human resources, tourism
- ECTS credits awarded upon completion of the course (credit range per course: 3–8 ECTS)
- Course catalogue and syllabi available online at: https://exchange.vse.cz/ --> Incoming Exchange Students --> Courses and registrations
- 2 types of courses: regular and intensive
  - Regular courses: run through the whole semester, classes once or twice per week
  - Intensive courses: only couple of days during the semester, deep focus on one topic; mainly taught by visiting professors

Basic Information
- 700 incoming students from 50 countries per year
- 220+ partner universities worldwide: https://exchange.vse.cz/partner-universities/
- 300+ courses for exchange students
- Main language of instruction: English
- Some courses given in: French, German, Spanish, Italian, Russian
- Recommended workload per semester: 20–30 ECTS
- Academic year (September–June) organized in 2 semesters
- Eligibility for Exchange Programme: students from partner universities, intergovernmental agreements

The Exchange office was super helpful most of the times and we got answers to all questions we asked.
Min Hee, Sogang University
STUDENT LIFE

Estimated Costs of Living*

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Orientation Week

- Takes place for whole week prior beginning of semester
- Students are provided with all necessary lectures about courses, university system, documents
- Students get familiar with Czech culture, habits and history
- Many trips and free-time activities are prepared for students

VSE has accommodation capacity for every prospective exchange student.

*please note that amount in EUR and USD might change according to current exchange rate

Thanks to Buddy system; I got the best buddy and person who help me that my experience in Prague was and is still awesome! I found the person who will be part of my life for a long time. I also want to say that Ice-breaking weekend was great; I met so many great people through the game and during this two parties. Everything was really great organized!

Javier, Universidad de Navarra
Student Association and Clubs

- Possibility to join various extracurricular activities according to student’s interest
- Great opportunity to meet new people with similar interests, as well as specialists in the field (e.g. AISEC, AEGEE, OIKOS Praha, Gaudeamus, Toastmasters VŠE, xPORT...)
- Scan the QR code for the full list and more details

Sport activities

- Weekly indoor or outdoor sports and additional activities (Basketball, Tennis, Body building, Fitness Aerobics)
- Sport centres: on campus, at dormitories, Třebešín Hall – modern multifunctional hall

ESN VŠE Praha – Buddy System

- Buddies = domestic students, volunteers
- Exchange students are assigned a Buddy
- Local Buddies help exchange students to settle down and show them around
- First contact with the local Buddy prior to arrival
- Ice-Breaking Weekend during the Orientation Week
- Parties by Buddy System (Nation2Nation Party every week)
- Trips to Czech towns (e.g. Kutná Hora, Karlovy Vary, Moravian trip)
- Trips to towns abroad (e.g. Krakow, Dresden)
- Language Activities (e.g. Tandem Programme, Buddy Cafe Lingea)
FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT VSE

- 26 bachelor (3 in English), 36 master (10 in English) and 16 doctoral programmes (full-time study)
- About 15,000 degree students
- More than 20% degree students of other citizenship than Czech
- 4,000 graduates per year
- Publicly funded and fully accredited university
- The biggest higher education institution providing economic and management education in the Czech Republic
- Established in 1953
- 550 academic staff, 500 administrative and technical staff
- 3 campuses: 1 in Žižkov (Prague centre), 1 in the south of Prague, 1 in Jindřichův Hradec (South Bohemia)
- Programmes with EPAS accreditation, good ranking in Financial Times
- 1 faculty with EQUIS accreditation

6 Faculties
- Faculty of Finance and Accounting
  https://ffu.vse.cz/english
- Faculty of International Relations
  https://fir.vse.cz
- Faculty of Business Administration
  https://fba.vse.cz
- Faculty of Informatics and Statistics
  https://fis.vse.cz/en
- Faculty of Economics
  https://nf.vse.cz/english
- Faculty of Management
  (in Jindřichův Hradec, South Bohemia)
  https://www.fm.vse.cz/en

Joshua, University of Otago

Prague and VSE was awesome. It was the best semester in my whole university life.

Joshua, University of Otago
VSE FACILITIES

Library = Centre of Information and Library Services
- 3 branches of the University Library
- 430,000+ titles
- On-line catalogue of publications
- On-line ordering system
- Electronic resources (e-resources at VSE, e-resources at other Czech Universities, diploma theses, etc.) and Economic journals
- Individual and group study rooms

Catering on Žižkov campus
- 3 different canteens on campus: regular canteen, Pizzeria, healthy and vegetarian food
- Subsidised lunch prices (from 40 CZK per meal). 2 hot meals a day (lunches and dinners)
- Canteen offer: hot meals, cold meals, soups, salads, drinks, ice cream, chocolate bars
- Café, buffet, restaurants on campus and many shops, groceries, cafés and restaurant in the vicinity

Dormitories
- Located about 15–20 minutes from the Žižkov campus by tram
- Accommodation in flats with bathroom and kitchenette
- Shared rooms (2 students in a room)
- Canteen on the dormitory campus
- Washing-machines, dryers, flat irons and hoovers available
- TV room, study rooms, sports equipment
- Same dormitories for both local and international students
- https://accommodation.vse.cz

Information Technology
- On-campus computer labs
- Wireless network (eduroam)
- Copy machines, printers, scanner
- Electronic ID card enables access to the dormitories, copying, printing, scanning, eating in the canteen, borrowing books from the library
- Integrated Study Information System (InSIS) enables easy registration of courses and exams