

# STUDENT EXCHANGE

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- Mendel
- University
- in Brno
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# **WELCOME**

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Mendel University in Brno (abbreviated to MENDELU) is a public institution with a long tradition of excellence in teaching and research that has driven new ways of thinking since 1919 and proudly bears the name of J. G. Mendel, the founder of modern genetics. There are over 8,300 students at the university, including 5,500 undergraduates and 2,800 postgraduates. Mendel University offers more than 100 different graduate degree programmes in Czech and in English languages. The University comprises one University Institute and five faculties. The modern university campus is based in Brno, the second largest city in the Czech Republic - the heart of Europe.

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# CZECH REPUBLIC



The Czech Republic is a landlocked country in Central Europe. We share a boarder with Poland to the north, Germany to the west, Austria to the south and Slovakia to the east. Its capital and largest city, with 1.3 million inhabitants, is Prague. The Czech Republic includes the historical territories of Bohemia and Moravia and a small part of Silesia.



**Prague,  
the capital**



Winter -5 °C - 10 °C  
Summer 20 °C - 35 °C



Czech language  
*Other spoken languages:*  
English, German



Czech Crown



10.6 milion

# BRNO



**4 HOURS**



from Dresden (DE),  
Budapest (HU),  
Wroclaw (PL)

**2 HOURS**



from Vienna (AT),  
Bratislava (SK)

**1.5 HOURS**



from LMilan (IT)

**2 HOURS**

from London (UK)

## FUN FACT

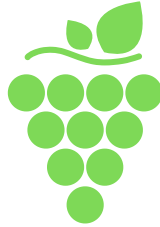
**Brno was voted the 6th best student city in the world by students (QS student survey, 2019).**

Brno is the second largest city in the Czech Republic, aptly put- the heart of Europe- it has a huge student population of 65,000, which includes a high percentage of international students. According to a Brno City State Report in 2018, 98 % of Erasmus+ students were satisfied with and enjoyed their stay in Brno.

# CZECH CULTURE

## WINE MAKERS

20 000 HECTARS OF  
VINYARDS  
IN THE CZECH  
REPUBLIC,  
MOST OF THEM IN  
THE SOUTH  
MORAVIAN REGION



COUNTRY FULL OF  
**HISTORY**  
AND HISTORICAL  
ATTRACTIONS



TRADITIONAL  
SOUTH  
MORAVIAN  
COSTUME

CONSUMPTION  
PER CAPITA IS  
THE BIGGEST IN  
THE WORLD



## BEER LOVERS



**14 REGIONS**  
BRNO IS LOCATED IN  
THE SOUTH MORAVIAN  
REGION

## CZECH FLAG



WITH NATIONAL  
COLOURS WHITE,  
RED AND BLUE

## ICE HOCKEY FANS



JAROMÍR JÁGR  
IS THE MOST  
FAMOUS CZECH ICE  
HOCKEY PLAYER

# MENDELU



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The university campus is located close to the city centre and offers students everything they need, including a student canteen, lecture theatres and a library. Student dormitories, cafés, shops and parks are all within easy reach of the campus.



# WHY MENDELU?

**1** Located in the No. 1 student city in the Czech Republic



**2**

A long tradition of excellence in teaching and research going back to 1919 with a combination of theoretical and practical skills.

**3** Modern university campus in the city of Brno, surrounded by beautiful botanical gardens. A campus in the UNESCO town Lednice, castle and gardens in Křtiny.



**4** A long tradition of excellence in teaching and research since 1919.



**5**

20 % international students, you won't feel alone!



**6** A wide range of sporting opportunities and activities; university-made speciality food, beer, wine and more!



# **STUDY AREAS**

**Faculty of AgriSciences**

**Faculty of Forestry and Wood Technology**

**Faculty of Business and Economics**

**Faculty of Horticulture**

**Faculty of Regional Development  
and International Studies**

**Institute of Lifelong Learning**



## **FUN FACT**

You get to choose from over 200 English taught classes from all faculties. You can combine them according to your preferences.

# LIFE OF AN EXCHANGE STUDENT



## ACCOMMODATION

Students can choose between two types of accommodation in Brno - student halls of residence or private housing. MENDELU halls of residence in Brno and Lednice offer more than 3000 beds in both shared and private rooms located close to the campus. The price for accommodation starts at roughly 350 EUR per month. Shared and private flats are widely available in Brno. The cost of a single room in a student flat ranges from 170 EUR to 270 EUR per month.

## FUN FACT

Even though living in a flat is more comfortable, living in dormitories is the best Erasmus experience. You get to meet other international students, which is way more fun!

## COST OF LIVING

In comparison with other EU countries, life in the Czech Republic is quite inexpensive. The average monthly cost of living ranges from 320 EUR to 650 EUR, including accommodation, food, transport and entertainment. For example, a main course in the university canteen costs about 2 EUR, A meal in a restaurant 5 - 10 EUR and a pint of beer about 1.5 EUR.



# **LIFE OF AN EXCHANGE STUDENT**



Every semester the International Relations Office organizes a Welcome Week for international students. Our international students can enjoy a full week of activities, trips and fun! . International students will bond, see Brno, experience our culture and the beauties of the South Moravian Region.

You can experience many events organized by MENDELU and our students. From game nights, charity events, tasting products made at MENDELU to student parties and gatherings.

There are many music festivals organized throughout the year in Brno. The most popular festival for students is called Majáles. Thousands of students from universities around the Czech Republic meet and enjoy the great atmosphere, popular Czech music, dance, prepared activities and competitions. The highlight of the evening is the election of Majáles king and queen from the three main Brno universities.

Brno is a proud hockey city with passionate fans. Even Brno universities have their own teams which compete against each other. The local city team is called Kometa Brno and it is a must for everyone to visit at least one game while in Brno!

# LIFE OF AN EXCHANGE STUDENT

Every year at the end of May Brno has the pleasure of hosting an international firework competition called IGNIS BRUNENSIS. at Brno's Dam. There are around 5 spectacular firework shows prepared by the local and international competitors throughout the month.



Czech people like enjoying food and drinks and local cuisine as well as international cuisine. So, it is no surprise that there are many food and drink festivals in Brno. From beer and wine and burger festivals to French and Italian festivals. Brno is also a city full of amazing cafés, bars, restaurants, bistros and clubs. When it comes to food and drinks, you will never run out of places to go in Brno!



With so many great food choices, it's good that Brno is full of sport events as well! There many organized runs and marathons either for pleasure or charity. You can rent bicycles all around Brno, enjoy the many bike paths, sport and fitness centres or even play a game of quidditch in a local park.



In Brno, you have the opportunity to experience Czech culture thanks to the various organized events. You will get to see how we celebrate different holidays and our customs. For example Easter and drinking green beer on Green Thursday, plus our famous Christmas markets are not to be missed!



# STUDENT EXPERIENCE

I love studying in a friendly environment towards foreigners and that teachers are always willing to help.



Ivan, Bolivia



Lisper, Kenya



Katarina, Serbia

Studying in the Czech Republic has helped me develop on a personal level. I became independent, disciplined and more organised. I've learnt how to cope with stress and unexpected events, and allowed me to get to know myself a lot better.

You don't have to break the bank to attain the best quality of education. Czech Republic is the gateway to your dreams come true. To all your study abroad wishes. Quality and affordable education in all forms. Highest European standards of Education right at the comfort of your pocket. You can do this and the time is now!

# CZECH VOCABULARY

beer - pivo  
cheers! - na zdraví!  
thank you - děkuji  
please - prosím  
wine - víno  
sale - sleva



you're welcome - není zač  
excuse me - pardon  
student canteen - menza



**Learn some Czech!**

## **FUN FACT**

Czech alphabet includes a special letter **ř**, which no other language in the world has. It is quite difficult to pronounce, that even some native speakers have trouble with it!

# ESN MENDELU

A non-profit student organisation from Mendel University in Brno. Their mission is to take care of international students in Brno. Local students show international students how to thrive in Brno and help them with everyday issues. They organise many events to help students to enjoy their Erasmus stay in Brno. They help to create one big Erasmus family and memories to last a lifetime.



A semester full of amazing and unforgettable **parties** with other international students in Brno. You can enjoy parties and events like the Beer Marathon, Boat Party, Tram Party or our Halloween Erasmus Night for all the international students.



During the semester, they organise plenty of **trips** for international students. Trips abroad as well as visits to famous Czech cities or our beautiful countryside. For example Prague, Krakow, Budapest, Vienna, Bohemian Switzerland, Palava vineyard.



Study exchange is the best way to learn about many differing **cultures** and to understand each other. For these purposes, there will be events such as an International Market, Country Presentations, The Tour de Brno, holiday events focused on Czech culture and much more!



Each semester a football match is organized among the three biggest universities in Brno, also a laser-tag match, a day in jump park and jungle park, ice skating, hiking trips and more.



# SOUTH MORAVIAN BUCKET LIST

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Pálava



Experience the great atmosphere at one of the hockey games



Macocha and Moravian Karst



Taste local cuisine in one of many great restaurants in Brno



Enjoy a glass or more of local wine alongside with the experience of getting to know our culture and customs



# LEARN MORE



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